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### NANKING GOVT.

### FOUR IMPORTANT APPOINTMENTS.

### DEPUTATION TO CHIANG.

Shanghai, Sept. 19.  
The following appointments have been made by the new Nanking Government:

Mr. Sun Fo, Finance Minister.  
Mr. C. C. Wu, Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Mr. Wang Chung-hui, Minister of Justice.

Mr. Wang Peh-ching, Minister of Communications.

Messrs. Chang Ching-kuang, Tsai Yuan-pai and Yu Ju-jen are arriving in Shanghai from Nanking this morning, and the first-named is said to be on his way to Hangchow to see Marshal Chiang Kai-shek who arrived there yesterday afternoon.—*Reuter*.

### FIVE YEARS FOR THEFT.

### "ONLY A FEW CHICKENS!"

"Stealing a few chickens. How can the court impose such a sentence?" asked Chan Fook, when he was sentenced to terms of imprisonment amounting to five years in respect of two charges, by the acting Puisne Judge, Mr. P. Jacks, at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

The prisoner was charged with the theft of crates of chickens on two counts, and with an offence against the Prevention of Crimes Ordinance, in that he failed to report himself while under police supervision.

He pleaded guilty, explaining with regard to the second charge that he had lost his license and did not like to go to the police station in consequence.

It was shown that the prisoner had several previous convictions.

His Lordship imposed sentences amounting to five years' hard labour in all, and when the prisoner remonstrated, the judge reminded him of his past record.

### INCOME FOR FLIERS' WIDOWS.

### A CANADIAN BENEFACTION

London, Ont., Sept. 18.  
The widow of Captain Tully, who lost his life in an attempt to fly the Atlantic in the aeroplane "Sir John Carling," has accepted the gift of a house from the city of London, Ontario.

She and the widow of Lieutenant Medcalf, who accompanied Tully, will receive an income from a trust fund established by the sponsors of the flight.—*Reuter's American Service*.

### A GALE LIKELY?

### TYPHOON MAY PASS NEARBY.

The anti-cyclone over China has strengthened further.

The typhoon appears to be between 200 and 300 miles south of Hongkong moving W.N.W.

There is now a possibility of its causing an easterly gale at Hongkong.

Forecast up-to-noon-to-morrow: E. winds, strong, possibly increasing to a gale; overcast, rain later.

The No. 1 local signal was hoisted soon after 11 o'clock this morning.

### MR. LEVINE HELD UP.

### MACHINE UNABLE TO RISE.

London, Sept. 18.  
The flight piloted by the English airmen, Captain Minchell, and organised by Mr. Levine, was unable to leave yesterday, owing to the sodden state of the ground at Cranwell Aerodrome, and an expected change of weather.

Two attempts were made, but the machine, which carries a large store of petrol, did not leave the ground.—*British Wireless*.

### "PURGE THE PARTY" AT WORK.

### ROUNDING UP "REDS" IN KWANGSI.

### EXECUTIONS AT NANNING.

The latest news from Kwangsi province indicates that it is a very unhealthy place for those that have strong Communistic sentiment, writes a correspondent.

Beginning on the first of September at Nanning, a thorough search was made and about fifty taken into custody. Thirteen of these were executed immediately, and the popular report has it that the only trial they were given was one to make sure they were the proper unlucky thirteen, and they were forthwith led to the execution grounds.

They were all young men, some with exceptional educational attainment. The brother of the Provincial Educational Secretary was one, the editor of the Nanning *Tong Po* or Party paper was another. The leaders in one or two of the most troublesome Labour Unions were among those picked upon in order to purge the party. All the rest were counted among the leading political agitators for some time past.

If their defiant shouts could be taken as evidence, they were Communistic without a doubt. As they were being driven to their execution they yelled constantly "Communist Forever," "Down with Chiang Kai-shek," "Down with Lei Chung-yan and Won Shiu-fung." These shouts continued from the time they left the prison until the firing squad did its work.

Among those captured were three from the postal staff, and a number of teachers and Labour Union officials. Several of these, learning the fate of their leaders, attempted suicide by drinking disinfectant fluid, and the supply obtainable being insufficient to attain their end, they spent many hours in terrible agony, and one man wrote to his relatives that he wished he had been shot instead.

City Gates Guarded.

For several days the gates of the city were guarded and all entering or leaving were searched. Up to the present, all arriving and departing by boat from Nanning are searched by "Purge the Party" officials. It is one of the annoyances incident to traveling in Kwangsi, as the searching is done at the will and leisure of the officials, who are perhaps diligent devotees of Ma Yen or some other absorbing passion, and a boat which is scheduled to sail at daylight may count itself fortunate to get the official permit to leave by noon.

The unfortunate passenger has only one alternative, either to go ashore and wait for more peaceful times, or wait until the party is purged; or else scan the bank with wistful eyes for the appearance of the man with a blue star on his cap, a wide belt and a riding whip. The usual Chinese oath is the only comment as some disgusted travellers roll over his opium lamp and seek solace from his opium pipe.

Inspection of party enemies is made at Nanning, Lung Chow, Kwai Ping, and Wuchow. All baggage, books, and letters are examined, and any evidence found means at least a term in jail. One's financial standing is the understood gauge by which all fines are assessed.

At Wuchow.

Wuchow has had Communism under ban since April 17, when about fifty persons were arrested.

Among those incarcerated at that time, and still a waiting trial, are Ho Tsan Man and Hui King Chee.

The latest raid on those of Bolshevik colour was made at 3 a.m. on the seventh of September at Wuchow. Martial law went into effect at that hour, and a comb out of the city was made. Various reports give from 50 to 80 as the number captured.

The lesser shadows have departed into durance vile, but the more important are waiting they know not what, or when.

All arriving passengers from Hongkong and down-river ports are examined, bag and baggage, on the foreshore, by specially delegated agents of the "Purge the Party" organisation.

### AGAINST CANTON.

### WUHAN COMMUNISTS' SCHEME.

### TO RECONQUER COUNTRY.

Kiukiang, Sept. 8.  
The beginning of August found a concentration of Chang Fa-kuei's troops, consisting of the 4th, 11th, and 20th Armies from Hankow, round Kiukiang and Nanchang. These troops had been ordered to leave Hankow, and the opinion was held that Chang Fa-kuei intended to advance with them through Kiangsi Province, down the Kan River to Kwanlung, his purpose being to take possession of Canton and occupy it as his base. Chang Fa-kuei was believed to be in close touch with the Russians and it is, perhaps, this belief that gave rise to the report that the Russian plan, after their ejection from Hankow, was to obtain control of Canton again and start a new movement to sweep up through China.

Whether Chang Fa-kuei wavered in his allegiance to the Russians, is not known, or whether for some other reason, the communist elements in his three armies, the communist cells, organized under Generals Yeh Ting and Ho Lung staged a revolt at Nanchang, but for a time the situation hung in the balance but with the arrival of some men of the 6th Army and Teng Sheng-chi's 35th and 36th Armies the mutiny was suppressed. The mutineers are now moving southeast towards Nan-feng and the Fukien border, where, no doubt, they will eventually join the ever-increasing hordes of bandits which are spreading throughout the province.

The police accompanied the hawker to the hospital where, on enquires being made, they found the two men. The second defendant was in possession of the roll of cloth when in the hospital.

Private W. Millet, who was on guard at the main entrance of the hospital at the time the two defendants entered, informed the Magistrate that the defendants had been patients in the hospital a short while ago. He knew both of them.

Lance Corporal R. G. Mitchell said the defendants were seen in the room of one of the patients. The second defendant had the roll of cloth spread over the floor, and was seen in the act of rolling it up when the witness entered the ward.

One Man Discharged.

His Worship said that he could not see his way to convict the second defendant. There was not sufficient evidence to convict him of stealing or receiving the cloth. He discharged the second defendant accordingly.

The first defendant then said that he paid two dollars for a roll of cloth. The Chinese seemed perfectly happy at the time, and he could not understand why he should later make a report at the police station. He said he would call the second defendant as a witness.

The second defendant, who had been outside the court while the first man was giving evidence, told the Magistrate that they were examining the cloth when a crowd of Chinese gathered round them and started to throw stones and create a row. They ran up the road with the piece of cloth still in their hands, and waited for the hawker to come along for it, but as the hawker did not come they proceeded on their way to the hospital.

Mr. Lindsell to first defendant: "This is your witness. His story helps your a lot. You will go to prison for six weeks."

### SOLDIER'S SERIOUS LAPSE.

### SIX WEEKS FOR THEFT OF CLOTH.

### WITNESS CONTRADICTS.

Two soldiers, Private T. Chambers and Private W. Fogney, both of the K.O.S.B. were charged this morning before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, and 20th Armies from Hankow, round Kiukiang and Nanchang.

Captain A. G. Dobbie of the K.O.S.B. was present in court, and sat with the Magistrate.

Evidence was given by a Chinese hawker to the effect that on Saturday, about 3.30 p.m., he put his basket, containing several rolls of cloth, down by the side channel of West Street. The two defendants approached him. The first defendant picked up a roll of cloth and ran in the direction of King's College, which is now used as a military hospital.

The hawker gave chase, but the soldiers beat him off with their sticks. He then went to the No. 7 Police Station to report the affair. A friend of his watched the soldiers, and saw them disappear into King's College.

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### FRENCH TARIFF ON U.S. GOODS.

### A WEEK'S GRACE GRANTED.

Paris, Sept. 18.

The *New York Herald* Paris edition learns from the United States Embassy that France has accorded American exporters a week's further respite before the enforcement of the new customs tariff on American goods.—*Reuter*.

known agitator who had escaped, had a marvellous experience. The soldiers bungled his affair and only succeeded in blowing his ear off. He fell stunned, but ten minutes later got up and walked away. The soldiers observing this shouted "It is the will of Heaven" and allowed him to go. Some said it was a put up job.

The executions were carried out publicly in an open space near the Chinese high street. No doubt, in the course of time, executions will be carried out on the Bund of the ex-Concession. It is more open there and there is more room for sight-seers. Besides it will provide opportunity for impressing foreigners with the beauties of Chinese civilization.

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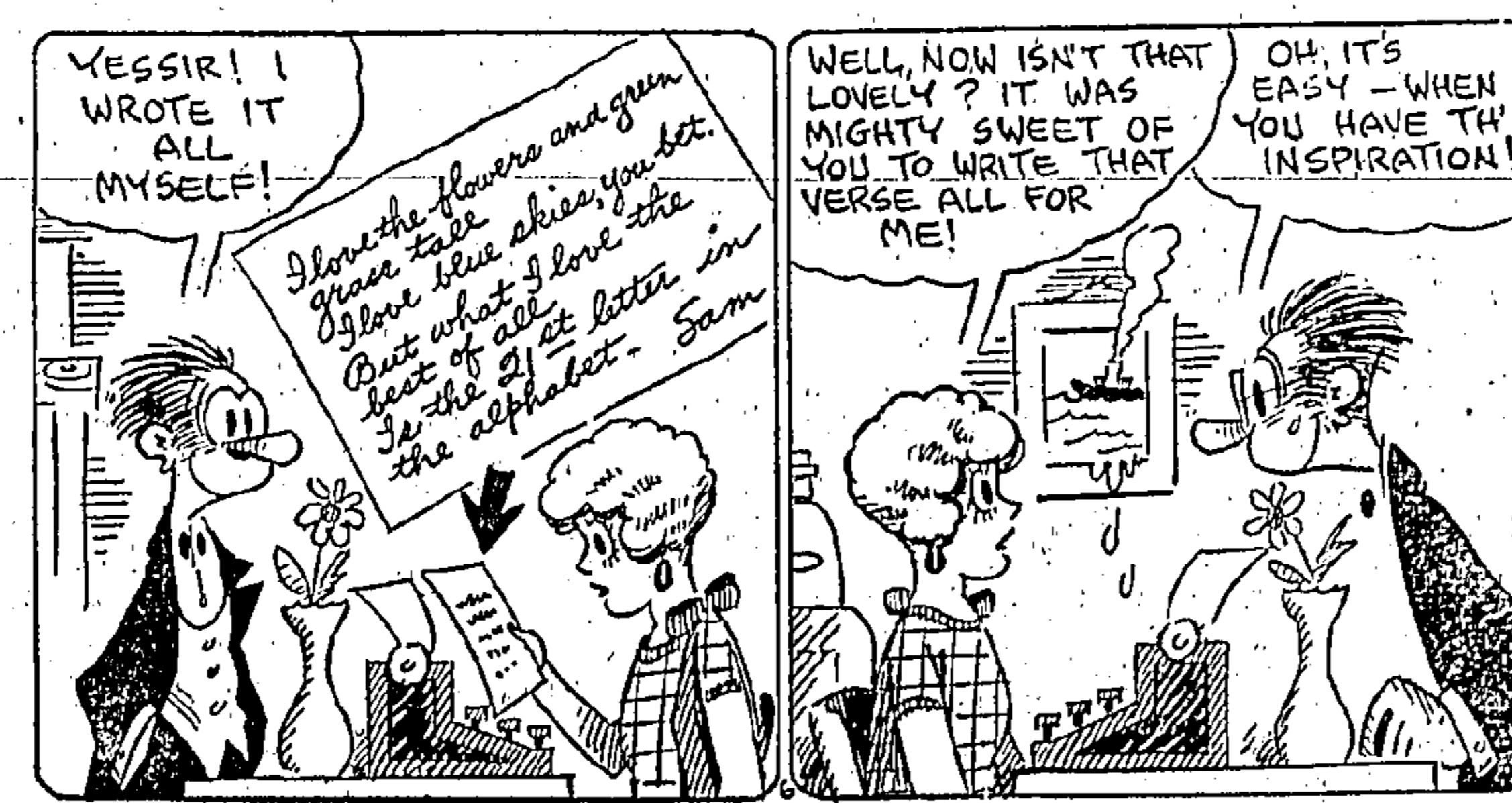
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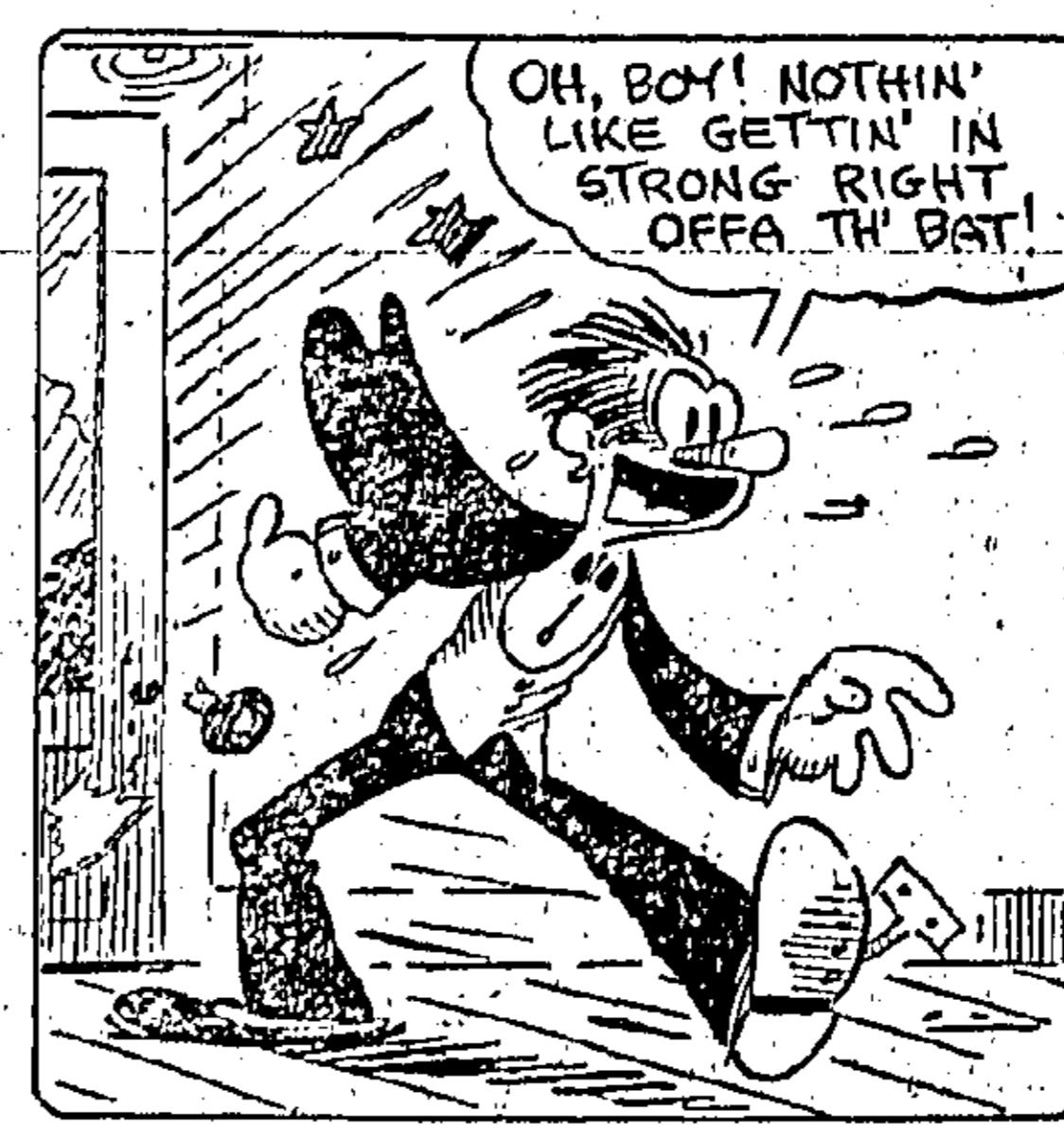
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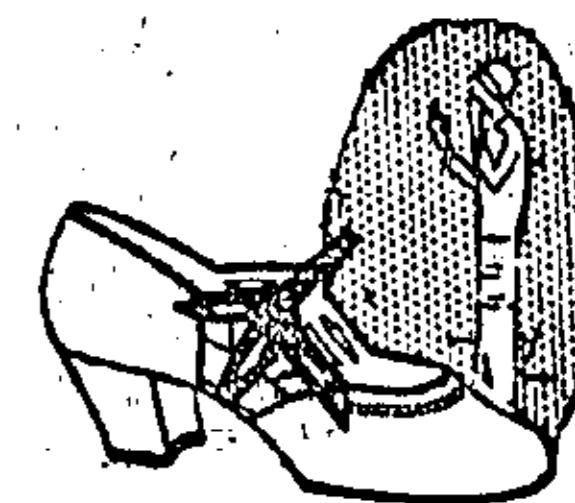
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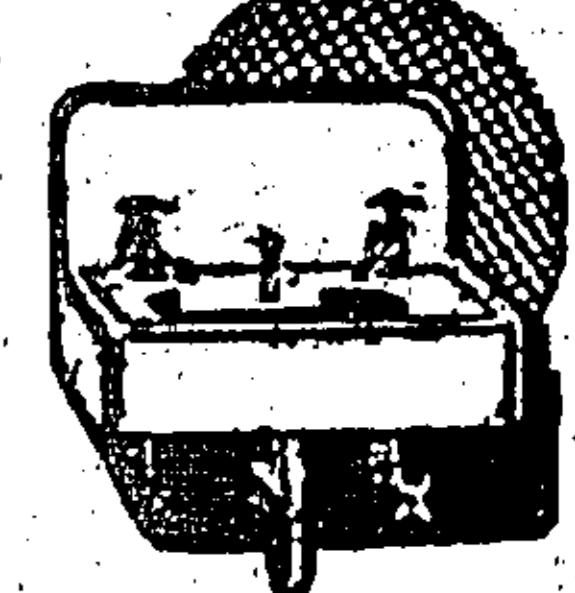


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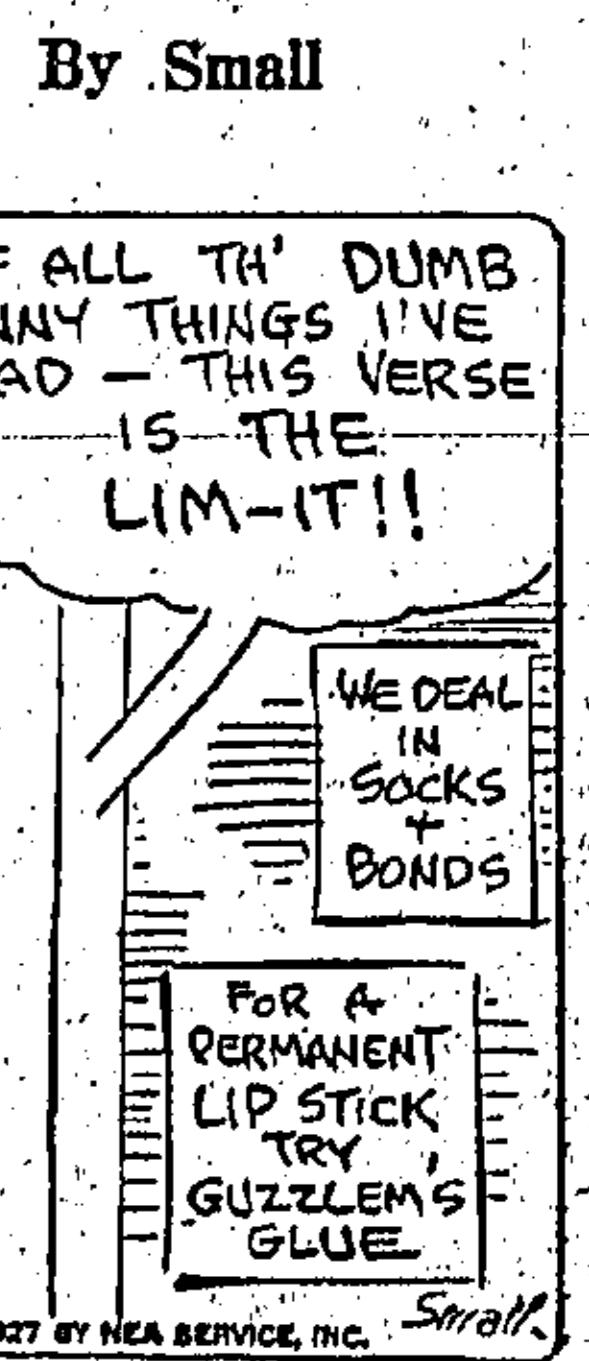
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ATLANTIC FLIGHT.

SUICIDAL TO CONTINUE.

London, Sept. 17.

McIntosh had covered 300 miles in three and a half hours in driving rain mist when a gale forced the abandonment of the flight half an hour after crossing Aran Islands.

The airmen were unable to keep their true compass course and decided it was suicidal to continue. The machine was once forced down to within 50 feet of the water. They emptied from the petrol tank 350 gallons and, thus lightened, succeeded in reaching the coast, but low-lying clouds forced them to follow the coastline 30 feet above the water.

Finally they managed to enter the Shannon Estuary and landed on the sands. The machine was not damaged.—Reuter.

Six Hours in Air.

London, Sept. 17.

Captain McIntosh and Commander FitzMaurice, who started yesterday on an attempt to fly across the Atlantic from East to West, abandoned the flight after spending six hours in the air. Having passed over the west coast of Ireland, they continued to fly out to sea for two hours, but the pilots were unable to make headway against a strong wind. It was raining very heavily and visibility was so poor that at last they were compelled to fly at a height of only fifty feet above the water. After repeated attempts to overcome the obstacles of wind and weather, McIntosh reluctantly decided to return to the Irish coast. The machine landed at the mouth of the Shannon. Both airmen were safe.—British Wireless.

Neck and Neck.

Dublin, Sept. 18.

The two main parties continue neck and neck. The elected candidates include Mr. de Valera, Mr. Redmond and Mrs. Collins Driscoll, a sister of the late Mr. Michael Collins. Up to the present the Government have secured 38 seats, the Republicans 36, Labour 9 and the other parties 12.

Mr. Cosgrave, standing for two constituencies, headed the poll in Cork City. A fourth of the results will be known to-night, and by Monday or Tuesday results will probably be complete.—British Wireless.

NOT TO STAND.

DEMOCRAT WILL OPPOSE  
GOVERNOR SMITH.

Washington, Sept. 17.

Mr. William McAdoo has stated that he will not stand as the Democratic's nomination for the Presidency, declaring in a letter to Mr. F. Milton, the Chattanooga newspaper publisher, that a repetition of the disastrous fight of 1924 at the New York Convention where the prolonged deadlock between Governor Smith of New York and Mr. McAdoo disrupted the party, would be calamitous.

Mr. McAdoo's declaration is regarded by political experts as enhancing the prospects of the nomination of Governor Smith.

Mr. McAdoo indicated that he would oppose Smith's candidature, and, evidently referring to the proposals to legalize the sale of wine and beer, declared that the struggle for the preservation of the Constitution must be carried on.—Reuter's American Service.

SPECIAL BANK.

TO BE ESTABLISHED IN  
JAPAN.

Tokyo, Sept. 17.

As a result of the conference between the Governor of the Bank of Japan and representatives of the Mitsui, Mitsubishi, Yasuda and Sumitomo Banks, it has been agreed to establish a special bank for the purpose of accelerating the readjustment of the banks which were closed at the time of the financial panic in April. The new bank will be called the Showa Bank and will amalgamate not only with the closed Banks but also with a few others.

The Bank of Japan has agreed to make advances at low interest to the new bank, which will be capitalised at twenty million yen, of which six million will be offered to public subscription.—Kenter.

BOMB CAUSES FIRE.

POLITICAL ACTIVITY IN THE  
BALKANS.

Berlin, Sept. 17.

From Belgrade it is reported that seven were killed and seven injured by the explosion of a bomb at the New Belgrade Hotel at the small town of Grevigeli, between Nish and Salonika. The hotel, which was the headquarters of the Democratic party was set on fire by the explosion, flames spreading to two other hotels. It is believed that the outrage was due to political motives.—Reuter.

CHIANG KAI-SHEK.

TO MARRY AGAIN.

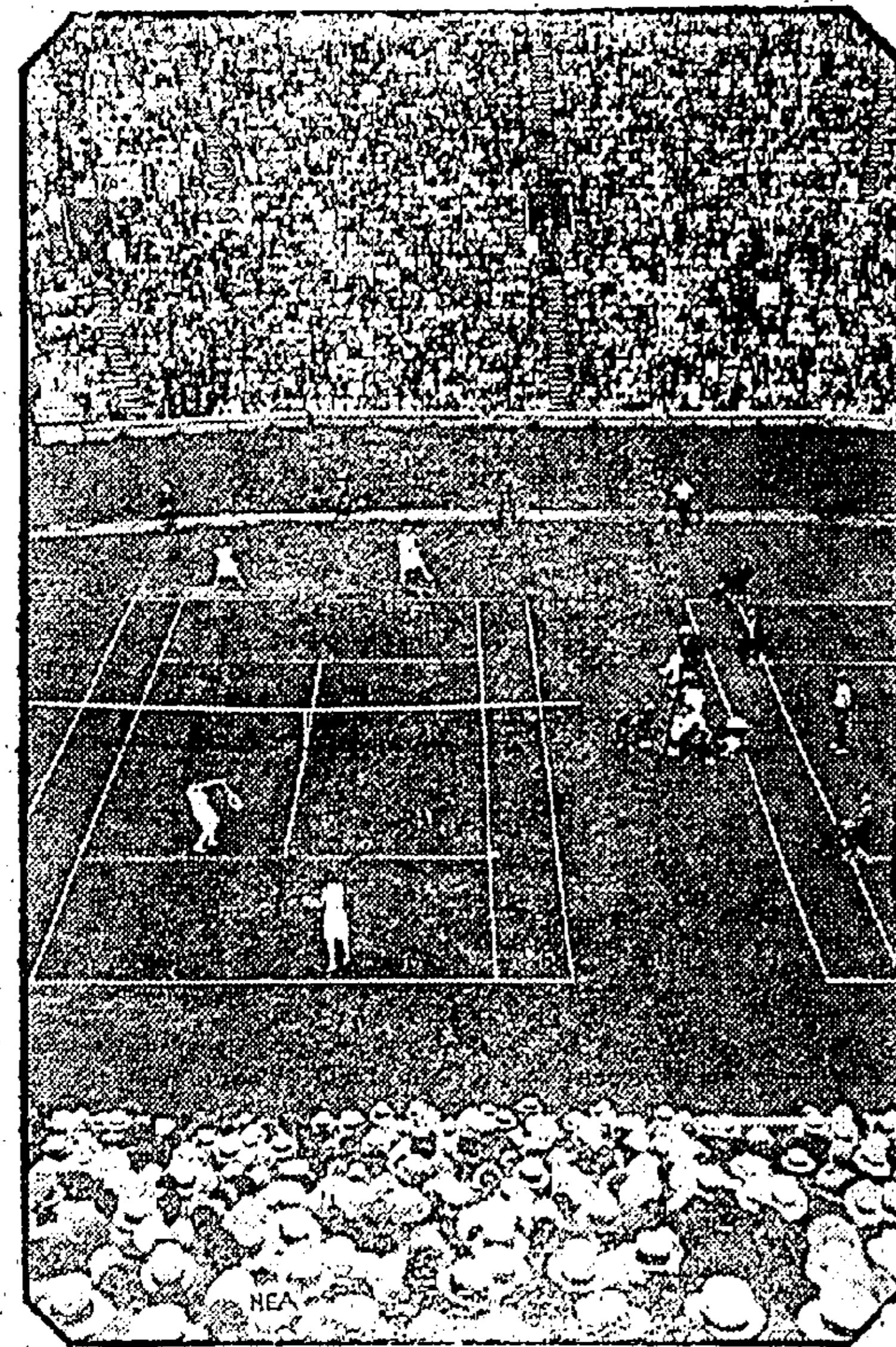
Shanghai, Sept. 17.

It is reliably reported that General Chiang Kai-shek is marrying Mai-ling Soong, a Wellesley graduate and sister of Mr. T. V. Soong and Mrs. Sun Yat-sen.—Reuter.





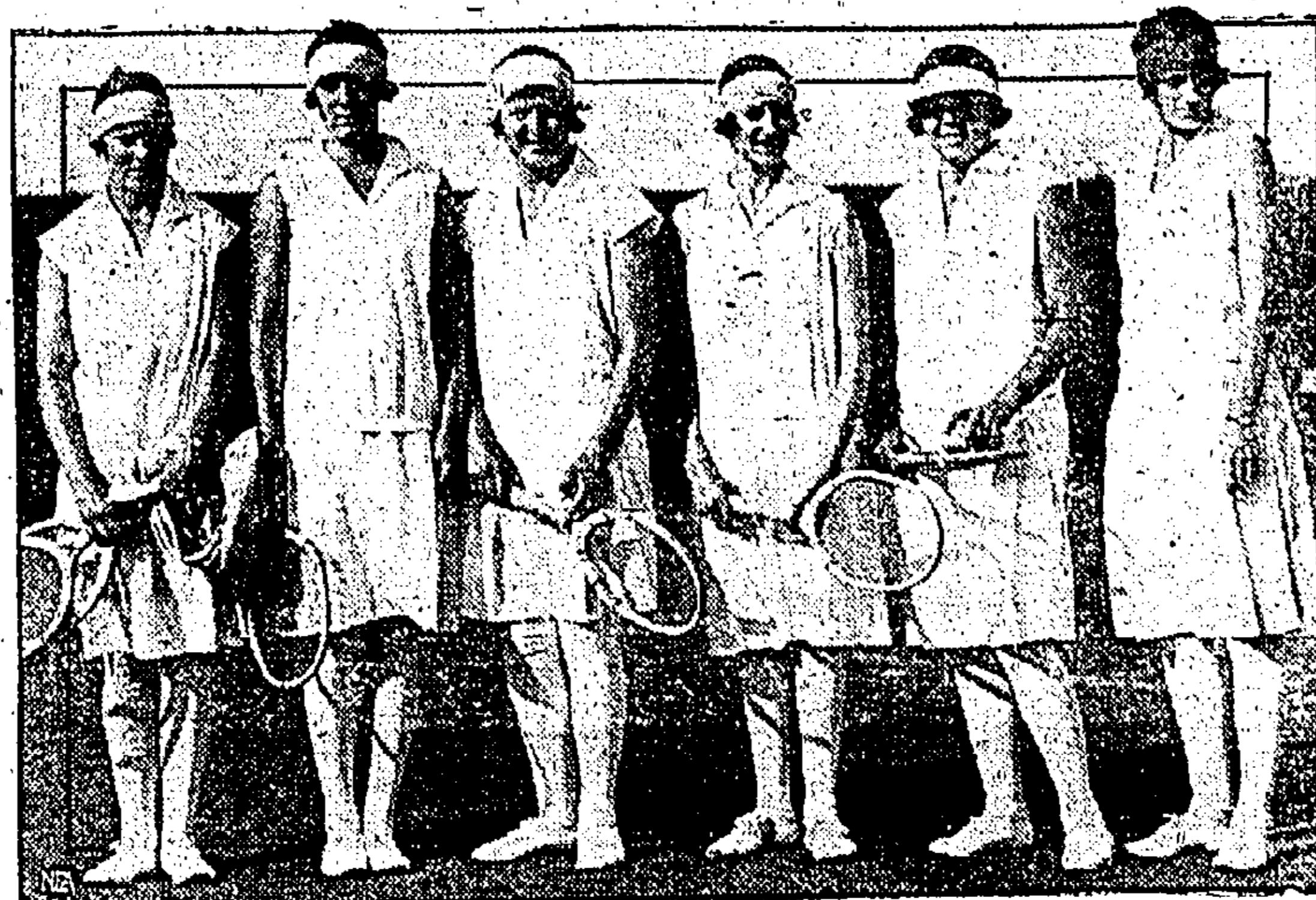
THE WIGHTMAN CUP.—America's doubles team beat England's team in a match that followed taking of this photograph. Reading left to right are Mrs. Hazel Hotchkiss Wightman, donor of the trophy, Helen Wills (the American team), Miss E. H. Harvey and Mrs. Kitty McKane Godfree.



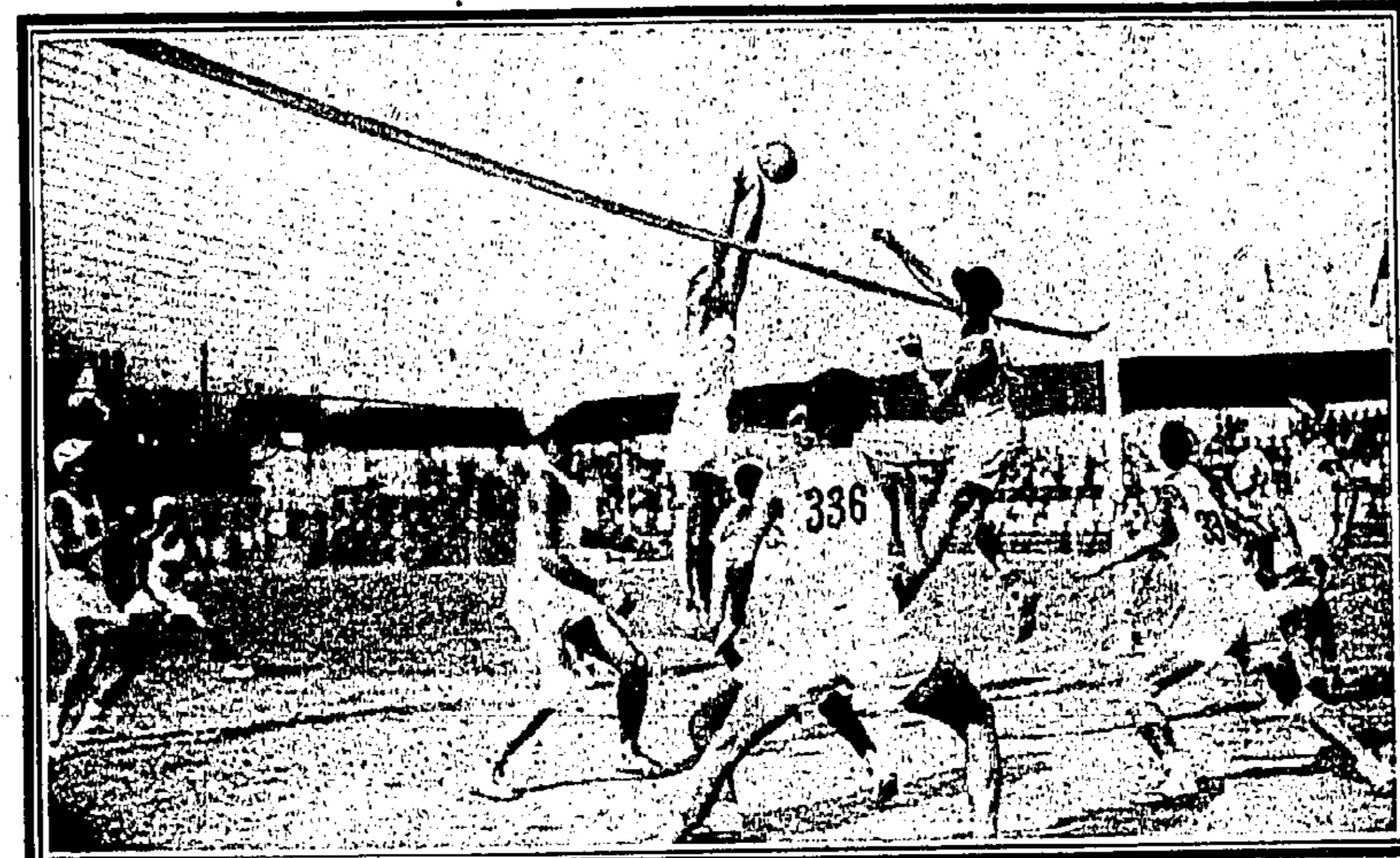
CONTEST FOR THE CUP.—A striking scene from the doubles match won by American stars, Mrs. Wightman and Miss Wills, shown in the background.



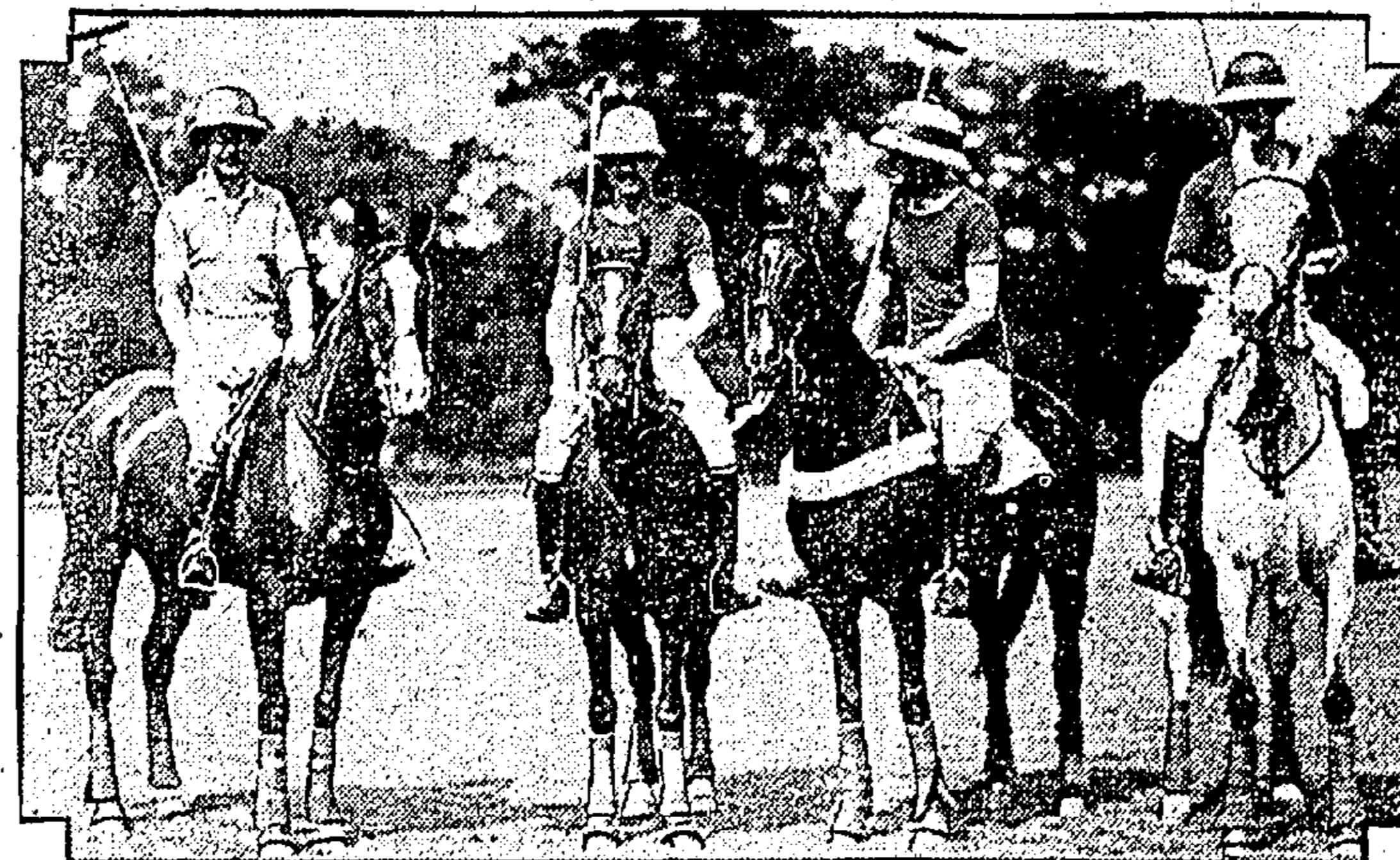
THE "INFANTS."—Here are the two infants on the Wightman Cup matches, played recently at Forest Hills, N. Y. Miss Betty Nuthall, left, winner over Miss Helen Jacobs, right.



BRITAIN'S TEAM FOR THE TROPHY.—On the courts at Forest Hills, N. Y., these pretty stars of the English women's tennis team were photographed as they started practice for the Wightman Cup matches. Left to right: Gwendolyn Sterry, Joan Fry Betty Nuthall, Kitty McKane Godfree, Mrs. John P. Hill and Ermytrude Harvey.



FOR EASTERN OLYMPIAD.—The game of volleyball has taken a firm grip on the sporting bodies in the Far East and a championship for the same was included in this year's Far Eastern Olympic Games and was carried off by China. The above picture gives a fairly good idea of the strenuous nature of the play.



HEADS UP!—This was the warning to America's "Big Four" from the crack English Army polo team with which it had to match speed and skill in the international matches at Meadowbrook. Here are Britishers resting after stiff practice on the Meadowbrook field at Westbury, Long Island: (left to right) Captain J. P. Dening; Captain C. T. I. Roark; Major A. H. Williams, and Capt C. E. Pert.



AMERICA'S BEST BETS.—They know their mallets, do these crack polo shots of the American "Big Four." And they were keen that the victory should be Uncle Sam's in their matches at Westbury, Long Island, with the British Army team. Beside their favourite ponies, left to right, are: Devereux Milburn, J. D. Cowdin, Thomas Hitchcock, Jr., and Winston Guest. As recent cables reported, they won the Westchester Cup.

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## NOTICE.

## DONT FORGET "REVELLERS" AND UBIQUE ORCHESTRA.

At Kowloon Football Club Ground, Chatham Road, Kowloon on Wednesday, 21st September, 1927, at 9 p.m. Admission \$1. Hongkong, Sept. 13, 1927.

## HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Sixth Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 8th October, 1927, and Monday, 10th October, 1927 (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Race Course, Hongkong Club and Causeway Bay Stables.

Entries will close at twelve o'clock noon on Saturday 24th September, 1927.

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## NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

## From EUROPE and STRAITS.

The Steamship,

## "TSURUGA MARU."

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 25th Sept. 1927, will be subject to rent.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Co.'s representatives on any Tuesdays and Fridays, at 2.30 p.m. within the free storage period.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

No fire insurance has been effected.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA. Hongkong, September 18, 1927.

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## HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB.

The Annual General Meeting of members of the Kowloon Football Club will be held at the Clubhouse, Chatham Road, on Thursday, September 22, at 6 p.m.

W. J. KEATES, Hon. Secretary.

Kowloon, September 14, 1927.

## NOTICE.

The Seventh Yearly Drawing of Twenty Debentures of the Hongkong Club (1920 issue—\$500 each) was held in the Club House on THURSDAY, the 8th September, 1927, when the following Debentures were drawn for redemption:

26 230 434 545 721

160 303 447 636 780

214 332 484 651 789

274 347 499 664 838

and will be payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on Friday, the 30th September, 1927, in exchange for surrender of same.

By Order,

A. H. ABBAS, Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 8th September, 1927.

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Captain L. M. Gordon, R.N.R., carrying His Majesty's Mails will be despatched from this port on or about Tuesday, the 20th Sept. 1927, at noon, taking Cargo for the above Ports.

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Parcels will be received at this Office until 5 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages must be declared.

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Hongkong, September 14, 1927.

## CHINA AUCTION ROOMS.

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If you have anything you would like to sell, exchange or advertise send it to the CHINA AUCTION ROOM.

E. V. M. R. de SOUSA.

From CHINA AUCTION ROOM.

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## LAMMERT'S AUCTIONS

## G. M. R. PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction:

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TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY

and

THURSDAY,

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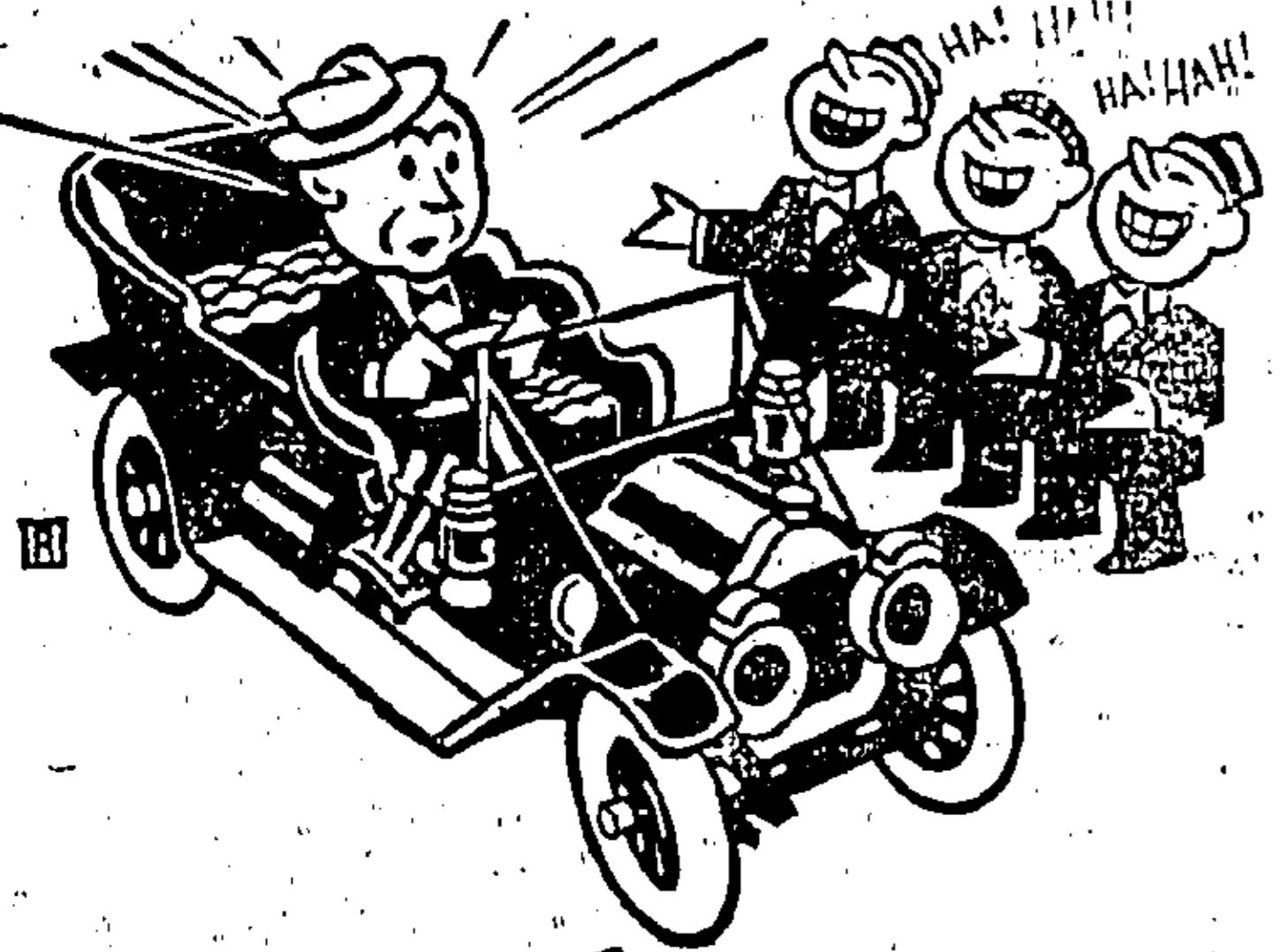
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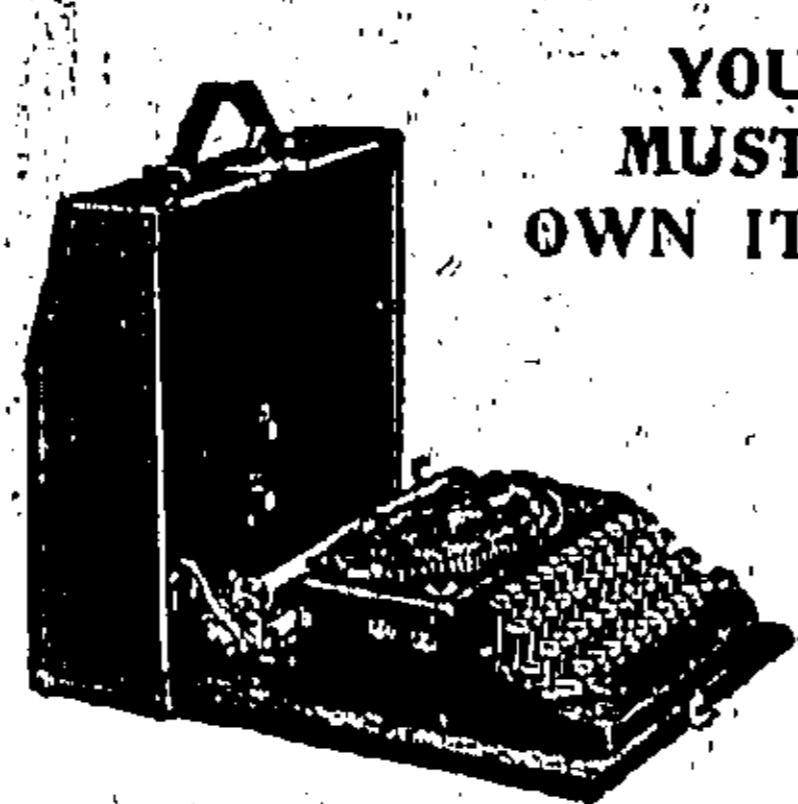
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The Hongkong Telegraph.

MONDAY, SEPT. 19, 1927.

**PIRACY SUPPRESSION.**

The keenly-awaited draft of the proposed regulations for the suppression of piracy was published on Saturday and has doubtless been closely studied by shipowners and others intimately concerned. Possibly, the Shipping Committee of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce will have given it perusal and that the public will, in due course, learn of the character of the reception given to this latest attempt to purge regulations for the suppression of piracy of their doubtful provisions. The new regulations are almost exclusively confined to the carrying out of searches on passenger boats before they leave the harbour and an attempt is being made to make those searches thorough in every way. The regulations apply to passenger-carrying ships leaving Hongkong for the Canton River, the West River or any river or estuary in Kwangtung or Kwangsi, for Formosa and for any part of the east coast of Asia south of Shanghai or north of Singapore—a wide enough range, one imagines, to cover the various classes of steamers which in the past have been given attention to by pirates. No such ship will leave without a police search having been made and until the Master or person in charge shall have received a certificate in writing from a police officer stating that such search has been completed. The powers of search are drawn extremely wide and the police will have power to detain any ship until the thorough searching has been completed.

There is nothing in the proposed regulations under notice about ships' guards, for the Government has not yet decided on its course of action in this vexed matter. There will possibly be some fears expressed on behalf of shipping interests that the proposed system of searching will tend to delay the departure of steamers, and the C. S. P. will doubtless be asked for an assurance in this respect; but, otherwise, we do not see at the moment anything to which strong exception can be taken or in regard

to which approval cannot be given. The making of thorough searches in Hongkong can only go to safeguard ships, which are outward bound from this port and there will still be freedom for pirates to board steamers leaving other ports at which strict searches are not conducted. If it were possible to secure equally strict *bona fide* searches at all the ports of call covered by the new regulations the suppression of piracy could be more or less effected, but to make Hongkong a place of search and to leave other ports free of search as at present is not to suppress piracy but only to drive the origin of piratical incidents away from this Colony. Which, perhaps, is the most that we can ever hope to do. The Government has abolished the bond system because it found that it could not legitimately ask for the performance of certain acts outside the jurisdiction of the Colony, and similarly, it is now confining its attention to what actually happens in the case of ships leaving Hongkong. It could not, very well, go further. These new regulations will impose an arduous duty on the police force and will make it necessary to maintain a much larger body of men available for the work of searching. One's fear is that the habit of search becomes routine and that in course of time it loses much of its effectiveness. In order to safeguard against that it will be necessary to maintain a staff fully adequate to the work to be carried out.

Peace Pacts.

In view of the forthcoming disarmament conference arranged for Geneva, the opinions expressed on the subject of non-aggression, by various delegates, take on additional significance. Comment has already been made on the proposal of the Polish delegate that the nations should enter into a pact aimed at outlawing war. This is a feature of universal peace which has received the sympathetic consideration of the governments represented, from time to time, and the general opinion was probably best expressed recently by Sir Austen Chamberlain when he pointed out the inadvisability of the Powers undertaking more than they can reasonably be expected to tackle. He emphasised that a country like Britain could be pacific, and he gave examples to prove this, without entering into any definite treaty. But the urge towards a definite agreement, signed, sealed, and delivered, against future wars, is not subdued. The idea appears to be to make the arbitration principle so absolute, and the submissions to the League members and other formalities so meticulous, as to render war a nuisance, and the delivering of an ultimatum by one nation to another almost impossible. This, with other reasons for a country to be reluctant nowadays to go to war on a large scale, or enter into any campaign which might have serious developments, should prevent aggression of any kind. It is the suggestion embodied in the plan of the French delegate, M. Paul Boncour, who is certainly good hearted enough to desire that warfare shall cease in civilisation, and that, just as tribal clashes have given way to courts of justice, so war may be considered old-fashioned in our advanced times and be replaced by negotiations, in which all the world shall be judge. It is a splendid scheme, if only it could be made to work as smoothly as it appears likely to do on paper. In reality, it is likely to make more complicated the existing processes of the League's anti-aggression policy. As has been pointed out, one cannot expect the big Powers to submit obviously personal matters to the smaller States merely because they have a published. There is an excellent article on music, which avoids the failing of becoming too technical, another contributor delves into the emigration problem, while the regular features are well up to standard. Lighter touch is applied by "Popinjay" and others.

**IRISH ELECTION.**

DAY BY DAY.

NOTHING THAT HAS AN ELEMENT OF THE DIVINE IN IT IS LOST IN THE UNIVERSE.—Rev. Hussey Griffith.

The P. and O. s.s. Nyanza is due here at noon on Thursday.

The Empress of Canada is due here to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock, and will leave for Manila on Wednesday at 5 p.m.

The Dutch tanker Absia, running for the A.P.C. and arriving here in ballast, was taken in hand by the Kowloon Dock for overhaul and refit.

Madame Barbosa, wife of His Excellency the Governor of Macao, and Miss Barbosa, were incoming passengers by the Lungshan last evening.

A Requiem Mass will be held at the Roman Catholic Cathedral at Caine Road on Tuesday, the 20th, September, at 7.30 a.m. for the late Mr. J. H. Pidgeon.

A sailor from the U.S.S. Asheville fell into the nullah in Stone Nullah Lane, on Saturday. He was removed to the Government Civil Hospital and later to the ship.

Owing to the inclement weather, the open air concert which should have been held on Saturday, the 17th, inst., at the Kowloon Football Club ground, is postponed until Wednesday, the 21st.

The Norwegian vessel Daviken, arriving from Bangkok and Kohsichang, reports touching bottom on an uncharted obstruction in the Latitude 9.19° North, Longitude 103.29° East. The master states that the dry tank is leaking slightly.

Hongkong estate to the value of \$8,000 was left by Lai Im-shi, late of 7 Triangle Street, Hongkong, a widow, who owned the business of the Ying Kee Rickshaw Owners. Probate has been granted to her daughter-in-law, Lai Leung-shi, a married woman, living at the same address.

Forthcoming weddings announced include Mr. J. S. Landolt, mercantile marine assistant, 583 Nathan Road, Kowloon, to Miss C. M. Tavares, 4 Caine Road, Hongkong; and Mr. G. T. Padgett, electrical engineer, 3 North Point Quarters, to Miss V. W. May, 3, Soldiers' Club, Queen's Road East.

A large gathering said farewell to the Hon. Mr. W. Peel, the Chief Secretary, and Mrs. Peel at the railway station at Kuala Lumpur on September 9, on their departure to Penang en route for Home on furlough. The Hon. Mr. H. W. Thomson arrives to assume the Chief Secretaryship, F.M.S.

The following ships were expected to be in wireless communication with Hongkong to-day:—Linan, Daviken, Neleus, Seangbae, Akita Maru, Lushan Maru, Yendai Maru, Kaiju Maru, Tango Maru, Empress of Canada, Empress of Russia, Kiangsu, Tonkin, Devanha, Carmarthenha, Honghwa, Anking and Svale.

The usual week-end Bathing Picnic of the St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club, will be continued until the end of current month. Next Saturday, the ss. Man Tat will leave Queen's Pier as usual at 3.45 p.m. when the destination will be Junk Bay. The picnic on Saturday, will therefore be the last Club picnic for this season.

A debate on the motion "That Money is Essential to Happiness," will take place at the club house of the St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club, on Monday, 26th Sept., at 8.30 p.m. It will be proposed by Mr. S. Jenyns (Eliot Hall), seconded by Prof. R. K. Simpson, opposed by Rev. J. C. A. Bohn C.F., and seconded in the opposition by Mr. G. S. Zimmern.

Many interesting and informative articles are contained in the September issue of *The Red Triangle*, the official organ of the European Y. M. C. A., which just been published. There is an excellent article on music, which avoids the failing of becoming too technical, another contributor delves into the emigration problem, while the regular features are well up to standard. Lighter touch is applied by "Popinjay" and others.

IRISH ELECTION.

HOW THE VOTING GOES.

London, Sept. 18. The Irish Free State election results to date give:

Flannan Fall 36.

Labour 9.

Independents 8.

Farmers 3.

National League 2.

Communist 1.

It is assumed that the Cosgrave party will have the support of the Farmers and Independents.

*British Wireless.*

CAFE PARISIEN SALE.

LANDLORD MAKES MANY PURCHASES.

After several postponements, in between which attempts were made by the proprietors to save their business through private treaty with their creditors, the goods and chattels of the Cafe Restaurant Parisien, the Beauty Parlour Parisien, and the Euro-Asia Trading Company were finally disposed of by public auction this morning.

In anticipation of obtaining suitable bargains from Madame Flint's fashionable mode shop, a large number of ladies turned up long before the sale was time to commence, and consequently were somewhat disappointed in that, except for certain articles, such as perfume and toilet articles, dresses, hats and trimmings were not being sold to-day. The Court's order is noted in this connexion that articles from the dress-making department will be sold in small lots, as it is believed by the proprietors that a much better price can be secured than by disposal by auction.

The landlord Mr. Ng Wah, was far by the biggest buyer during the sale, his purchases including a number of valuable oil-paintings and most of the more valuable fittings and accoutrements of the Cafe. The sale was conducted by Mr. L. Lammet in the presence of a bailiff and other officials of the Supreme Court.

The mode shop and a portion of the upper floor containing goods not to be disposed of to-day, were sealed, but the remainder of the premises were thrown open to the public and in this a large crowd gathered. The presence of a large number of the fair sex gave an unusual touch to the sale, but for the rest the attendance was made up of the usual crowd of second-hand furniture dealers from Wellington Street, marine hawkers and a few of the inevitable bar-gainers.

The articles were divided into small lots for convenience of sale, and ranged from household furniture and crockery to valuable pieces of canvas. These fetched good prices with the exception of the paintings which were valued over \$1,000 apiece, in the case of the larger ones, but which were sold for a mere fraction of this valuation. It was reported that sometime back a private offer of \$6,000 was made by a Frenchman for the three pictures exhibited in the lounge and corridor of the Cafe, but all these as well as six other pieces done in oil were now sold for a little less than \$600. Bidding was slack for these articles.

The biggest price for one lot during the sale was in respect of the Baby Grand piano, which was sold to the same purchaser for \$620. Mr. Ng Wah also bought up all the window curtains, the tea-tables and table-lamps as well as nearly all the electric fans in the premises.

HONAN POSITION.

THREAT TO FENG'S TROOPS.

Peking, Sept. 14.

Chin Yun-ao's troops, numbering 40,000 are reported to be active in south-western Honan placing Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang in a difficult position. The complete disintegration of Feng's forces is expected, but the wish may be father to the thought since it is difficult to get reliable news from that quarter.

Another military conference is under way here with Marshal Sun Chuan-fang and Gen. Chu Yu-pu present, discussing plans for campaigns both against the South and Feng.

Yen Hsi-shan is the chief stumbling block and his representative now announces that Yen refuses to be drawn into the conflict and is determined to remain neutral. While he maintains this attitude the Northerners cannot risk attacking Feng along the Peking-Hankow Line and once again the question is being considered whether it would not be advisable to crush him as a preliminary step to attacking Feng.

Hopes are entertained, however, that Chin Yun-ao's assault on Feng will remove the necessity of threatening Yen whose standing in the popular estimation is fully appreciated here as is also his almost impregnable position.

The full week-end report of arrivals and departures issued by the Harbour Department this morning, gave 27 arrivals and 21 departures, British, seven and nine, leaving 68 vessels in harbour, of which 18 were British. This morning's reports gave 18 arrivals and six departures, British two and three respectively.

*The Very Idea!*

"When did the robbery occur?" asked the cross-examining barrister.

"I think—" began the witness.

"We don't care that what you think, we want to know what you know," stormed the barrister.

"Well, I may as well get out of the box, then," replied the witness. "I can't talk without thinking."

"I'm not a lawyer."

They dropped the anchor in the sea.

## A HUGE GERMAN WAR MEMORIAL.

## THE COMMEMORATION OF TANNENBERG.

## WAR GUILT DENIED.

Berlin, Sept. 18. In the presence of 10,000 spectators, including General Ludendorff and many high officers of the old regime, Doctor Marx, the Chancellor, other Cabinet members, and delegates of patriotic organisations, President Hindenburg opened a gigantic national war memorial erected by public subscription on the battlefield of Tannenberg.

President Hindenburg, in a speech which was greeted with roars of applause, entirely repudiated Germany's war guilt, and asserted that the German armies were innocent of barbarities.

## Big Area Covered.

The Tannenberg memorial must be the largest in the world. It covers an area of 40 acres, and is octagonal in shape, with eight towers, each 70 feet high, connected by galleries.

One tower is dedicated to Hindenburg, and will contain his statue and pictures of his life, in mosaic. Another tower is dedicated to other military leaders. A third is dedicated to the German soldiers, and a fourth will contain the battle flags of the regiments which participated in the battle of Tannenberg.

Two other towers will be used as homes for disabled soldiers.

A court of honour in the centre building contains a block of marble pierced by a heavy bronze sword.—*Reuter*.

## PIRATES BEATEN OFF.

## FISHING BOAT CREW PUT UP A FIGHT.

A report has been made by the master of fishing junk No. 2,226 to the effect that early on Sunday morning, whilst the boat was on a voyage between San Mei and Hongkong with a cargo of eggs, they were attacked by a Hoklo pirate boat with eleven pirates on board.

The pirates ordered the fishing junk to stop but the junk master proceeded straight on. Near Sing Chee Island they were overhauled and the pirates shot at the fishing boat. An attempt was made to board the boat but the crew, determined to resist to the last, beat the pirates off with their oars.

The last that was seen of the pirates was when they rowed off in the direction of Sing Chee Island. It was later discovered that one of the *folkis* of the boat had a bullet wound in his right arm.

## HAWKER AS SINGER.

## PLUMS IN EXCHANGE FOR GIFTS.

A rather ingenious excuse was submitted by a hawker at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when charged before Mr. W. Schofield with selling preserved fruit without a license.

The defendant denied the charge and said that he was a singer. He paraded the streets, singing songs and certain members of the public in appreciation of his abilities made him gifts of small donations. As an expression of gratitude of such public recognition, the defendant returned the compliment by distributing to each of his benefactors four preserved plums for each cent contributed.

His Worship after hearing the man's story said that such a practice must cease and imposed a fine of \$4.

## RADIO SERVICE TO MANILA.

## READY RESPONSE TO NEW VENTURE.

Randy response has followed the opening of the wireless commercial service between Hongkong and the Philippine Islands, a *Telegraph* representative being informed this morning that the number of users is increasing every week.

The popularity of the service is, no doubt, partly due to the slightly lower rates applying to radio messages as against cables, while very few delays have been experienced, and the public is gaining confidence.

The reception at both Hongkong and Manila has been excellent throughout, and there has been practically no interruption since the inauguration of the service.

## IN CANTON FROM DAY TO DAY.

## STILL CALLING FOR CHIANG KAI-SHEK.

## HIS MILITARY SUPPORT.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, Sept. 18. The Provincial Kuomintang held a meeting early this week to renew the efforts to urge Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek to come back from retirement. The previous effort was partly successful in that the five Nanking Commissioners—Messrs. Lee Shek-tsang, Choy Yuen-pu, Ng Chee-fui, Chang Ching-kian, and Wu Hon-man—have resumed their duties.

The Chinese Overseas Association participated in this meeting and strongly urged the restoration of the Commander-in-Chief system. They further requested General Li Chai-sum not to resign his post as Chief-of-Staff to the Commander-in-Chief and assured him of every support in achieving the aims of the national revolution.

High officials who are supporters of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek have received word that he will soon take a leading part in Kuomintang activities. The ex-Generalissimo is still resting in his home town in Chekiang but at the same time is consolidating his position there.

General Chow Fung-kee, chief military figure in Chekiang, is loyal to Chiang Kai-shek, while General Ho Ying-yam, another ardent supporter, is despatching a large number of forces from Nanking to Hangzhou, capital of Chekiang to strengthen Chiang's prestige.

## Canton Officials.

The recent rumour of the resignation of Mayor Lam Wen-koi and Mr. Tang Yin-wah, Chief of Police turns out to be groundless. The Chief of Police says that he has no intention of resigning but on the other hand he is using his best efforts to round up all the Communists and to press delinquent merchants to pay up the remainder of the \$10,000,000 loan. Mayor Lam also denies that he will soon introduce a plan for the improvement of the Canton municipality.

## Bocca Tigris Forts.

The military authorities have declared that Bocca Tigris, the entrance to Canton River, is now under martial law on account of the fact that certain ex-officers of Cha Kwing-ming are attempting to seize the ports.

All ships passing through Bocca Tigris are liable to be searched.

It is understood that Hongkong steamers passing through will not suffer any inconvenience as they are known to the authorities in the fort. Even Chinese gunboats and transports are subject to search if no prior notice is sent to the commander of the forts.

## NEW TO THIS PORT.

## TWO SHIPS IN ARRIVAL LIST.

Although not newly built vessels, two ships appearing in the Harbour Office reports this morning were registering their first appearance in Hongkong. These were the Baron Jedburgh, of the Hogarth Line, and the Crisfield, of the U.S. Shipping Board.

The Baron Jedburgh is a British steel screw steamer of 4,418 tons gross and 2,684 net, built in 1912 for the Hogarth Steamship Company by A. Rodger and Company, of Port Glasgow, and engined by Rowan and Company of Glasgow, with N.H.P. of 379, and registered at Ardrossan. The dimensions of the ship are, length 410 feet, beam 54.3 feet, and moulded depth 24.8 feet.

She entered yesterday with a cargo of 8,050 sugar from the Straits, for local discharge, on a mean draft of 24 feet, 1 inch.

Commanded by Captain W. E. Somerville, she carries a crew of 13 British and 50 Asiatics. The local agents are the J.C.L.

## S.S. Crisfield.

The American steamer Crisfield entered Hongkong for the first time yesterday. She is a steel screw steamer of 6,321 tons gross and 4,670 net, her dimensions being length, 402.6 ft., beam 54.9 feet, and moulded depth 32.1 feet. Built by the Skinner Eddy Corporation of Seattle, in 1919, for the U.S. Shipping Board, she was engined by the same firm, with a three-cylinder equipment developing 369 N.H.P.

The vessel is commanded by Captain H. Johanssen, with a crew of 34 Americans, Messrs. Swayne and Hoyt being the local agents.

Entering with a cargo of 1,876 gallons for Manila and 2,500 kerosene for Manila from San Pedro, she drew a mean of 19 feet, 1 inch.

## FRANCE'S RUSSIAN POLICY.

## DECISION NOT TO CLOSE NEGOTIATIONS.

## STRONG PRESS CRITICISM.

Paris, Sept. 17. Following the recent Press agitation in France in favour of the expulsion of Rakovsky, the Soviet Minister to Paris, an important meeting of the French Cabinet on Franco-Russian relations was held to-day.

After the meeting an official communiqué was issued stating that there was nothing at present justifying the rupture of Franco-Russian diplomatic relations.

The Cabinet reserved judgment on the Russian proposal for a pact of non-aggression and charged M. Briand to continue negotiations in connexion with the proposal after satisfying himself that all conditions likely to render such a pact possible had been realised.—*Reuter*.

[M. Rakovsky, Soviet Minister to Paris, recently while on leave issued a manifesto urging the resumption by Russia of efforts to promote a world revolution. France protested and the Soviet Government repudiated Rakovsky's views, which, it said, were expressed by him as a member of the Communist International. The French press were not satisfied and demanded the recall of Rakovsky.]

## Violent Criticism.

Paris, Sept. 18. While the Left section newspapers unanimously command the Government's attitude with regard to Russia, the Right organs criticise it violently, some even talking of a "surrender."

A Moscow message states that the *Izvestia* describes the French Government's decision not to break with Russia for the present as a victory for French communism, and says that it opens up wide prospects of an extension and development of Franco-Russian relations, which must favourably influence European relations.—*Reuter*.

## BUS OVERTURNS AND CATCHES FIRE.

## ALARMING EXPERIENCE IN KOWLOON.

Passengers travelling to Shamshui po by one of the Kowloon Motor Bus Company's vehicles last night, had a narrow escape from severe injury when the bus turned over and caught fire near the Mongkok Police Station.

This morning it was learned that the bus was proceeding along Nathan Road, from the direction of the Star Ferry, and had reached a spot between the Mongkok Fire Station and the Police Station when the driver is stated to have swerved in order to avoid a pedestrian.

The sudden swerve caused the wheels to lock, and although the driver made endeavours to steer a straight course again the front wheels failed to respond, and the bus overturned, catching fire at the same time.

There were three passengers on board, but they and the company's employees managed to extricate themselves from the burning vehicle. One Chinese passenger suffered a slight cut on his head, and together with the driver, who was also slightly injured, was taken to hospital for medical treatment.

In the meantime the Fire Brigade had been summoned and two engines were despatched from the Tsim Sha Tsui depot, the call being received at 10.21 p.m.

The outbreak was soon extinguished. The damage caused to the bus is estimated at about \$30.

## ALLEGED THEFT.

## A QUEEN'S ROAD INCIDENT.

At half-past one this afternoon, a police whistle was sounded in the locality of the Indian silk-centre, and two European Police Sergeants and an Indian policeman arrived promptly on the scene.

Entering Messrs. D. Chellaram's shop at Queen's Road Centre, a Chinese was pointed out to them as having been caught in an attempt to smuggle a roll of silk out of the shop under his long coat.

He was one of four other Chinese including a small, frail-looking woman, who entered the shop, it was alleged, at the same time and to have remained in the shop for five minutes inspecting the goods before the incident took place.

All four, including the woman, were taken to the Central Police Station for examination on the allegations raised.

## AN ENCOUNTER WITH KIDNAPPERS.

## ATTEMPT TO ABDUCT A RICH MAN.

## SHANGHAI EXCITEMENT.

Paris, Sept. 17. Another shooting affair took place yesterday afternoon, almost in the very heart of the Settlement, when the police attacked to Hongkong station were engaged in a running battle with a gang of armed kidnappers, resulting in the arrest of one man, the death of another kidnapper and the wounding of a Sikh police constable.

It appears that a wealthy Chinese shopkeeper was on his way from home to his shop in the French Concession, and was travelling in a private ricksha, when a motor car pulled up in front of him and four men, two of whom were armed with pistols, jumped out. They ordered him to get out of his ricksha, keep quiet and get into the motor car which stood by. Seeing that it was useless to offer any resistance, the man allowed himself to be pushed into the car and to be taken from the French Concession, through the Central District, to Hongkew.

The car had crossed the Szechuan Road Bridge and had been driven down the slope past the post office. At Tiendong Road, however, it was caught in a traffic jam and held up. The kidnapped man saw a chance of escaping and so he jumped out of the car, shouting "Save life! Save life!" as he did so, there being a few policemen near the corner at the time, one of the latter, who was standing near the jam, saw what was happening and blew his whistle to attract the attention of the others.

## Police Give Chase.

The four kidnappers, including the chauffeur, who is alleged to have been a member of the gang, had meanwhile jumped out of the car and run. The police, however, were on the alert and gave chase. One of the kidnappers, opened fire, wounding Sikh constable 365 in the head. Fortunately this was not of a serious nature and the chase continued.

Other police had, by this time, arrived on the scene and they also took part in the chase, arresting one man and bringing another down with a bullet through his body. Upon examination, it was found that he was dead. In his possession was found a .32 calibre Belgian Browning pistol. The two remaining members of the gang who were pursued by the police succeeded in making good their escape.

It was reported that a foreigner had been struck by a stray bullet but this could not be confirmed.

The arrested man was later handed over to the French police as the kidnapping occurred in the French Concession and the dead man was taken to the Mortuary, where an inquest will be held this morning.

## BOILER EXPLOSION AT MANILA.

## COAL PASSER SCALDED TO DEATH.

Mariano Alfaro y Madelo age 28 was scalded to death at 2 p.m. last Thursday when the port boiler of the s.s. Consuelo, Madrid and Company steamer, exploded, at Manila. Alfaro was in the direct path of the scalding hot water and received burns on his legs, face, arms and body that resulted in his almost immediate death.

Alfaro together with four others, employed as coal passers, were in the boiler room of the Consuelo when the explosion occurred. The other workmen, however, were within easy reach of the door and made good their escape.

Alfaro, who happened to be working nearer the boiler than the other four, received only a few burns when the explosion occurred but in his efforts to reach the door, he tripped over some obstacles, and the scalding water, coming from the boiler in jets, covered him from almost head to foot.

Secret service officials are investigating the explosion.

## A seven-foot shark which found its way into the Manchester Ship Canal was killed in Eastham Locks. It appears to have been struck by a steamer's propeller.

A Roman pavement, 20 yards square has been found at Middleham, Wensleydale. The pavement is buried to a depth of 17 ft. and excavations are being carried out.

The Madrid newspaper *El Socialista* has been suspended by order of the Government for eight days for publishing some matter not submitted to the Censor.

## PARIS HONOURS U.S. LEGION.

## SPECIAL SERVICES FOR THE DEAD.

## DIED FOR THEIR FRIENDS.

Shanghai, Sept. 17. Another shooting affair took place this morning marched to Suresnes, where 30,000 American soldiers who died in hospitals in the Paris region were buried.

General Pershing, khaki-clad, and Marshal Foch, walked together through the lines of flower-decked graves surmounted with marble crosses. The Chaplain of the Legion conducted a religious service, while aeroplanes circled overhead.

General Pershing, in a speech, paid a tribute to the splendid example of American dead, and Gen. Savage, National Commander of the American Legion, movingly vowed on behalf of the Legion that the families of the fallen will never want for help and sympathy.

Marshal Foch dwelt on the glorious disinterestedness of the American volunteers who took up arms because the justice, liberty and peace of the world were threatened. "Let us keep what they conquered, let us keep the faith which inspired them and maintain the close union which led to victory."—*Reuter*.

## A Special Mass.

Paris, Sept. 18. Religious services were held this morning in many churches in memory of America's dead. This year, the chaplain of the American Legion being a Catholic, the principal service was held at Notre Dame, where a solemn mass followed by the Te Deum was celebrated in the presence of 15,000 persons, including Generals Pershing and Savage, Marshal Foch, and other distinguished persons.

The members of the American Legion, with their colours, lined the nave. The chaplain, Father Wolfe, preached a sermon in English, in which he extolled the heroism of the mothers who gave their sons that the world might live in peace. He said that the American volunteers truly gave their lives for their friends.

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After the service, Gen. Savage transmitted a radiogram from the Eiffel Tower to the people of Europe, hoping that the visit of the Legionaries might be a step in the way of world friendship.

Generals Pershing and Savage in the evening attended a Government dinner at which M. Bojanczic presided.—*Reuter*.

## SEVERAL MINOR OFFENCES.

At the Marine Court this morning, before Lieut. Comdr. G. F. Hole, Char Kau, a seaman of the motor-boat Sing Fat, was charged with being a party to an action forbidden by Section 37 of the Mercantile Shipping Ordinance, by being under way as coxswain with a certificate, at 6.30 p.m. yesterday.

When the case was called, the Police moved that the case be withdrawn, it being understood that the seaman was at the time under instruction by the coxswain of the boat, who was at the moment in charge. The order was allowed.

Ip Mo, master of the steam launch Curlew, was charged with using his steam whistle for purposes other than navigation on September 14, and pleading guilty, was fined \$5, with the usual alternative.



## MACAO. RACES.

## LARGE ATTENDANCE AT INFORMAL MEETING.

The informal race meeting of the Macao International Recreation and Race Club was large attended yesterday, several well-known Hongkong racing enthusiasts making the trip to the neighbouring port by the Lung-shan yesterday morning.

A dance was held on Saturday night at the Race Course but owing to the rain, the proceedings terminated at 10 p.m., the function being held in the open air. The "Footwarmers" Jazz Orchestra provided the music.

A very pleasing innovation was introduced by the running of a cash sweep, tickets for which were sold at \$2 and \$5.

The results were:

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1.—The Novices Race, 3 furlongs. Winner \$76. 2nd \$40. 3rd \$16. For unplaced ponies since 1st May, 1927.  
Mr. F. N. Cheng's Fir Dee, (Mr. Fred Roza) 1  
Mr. S. Y. Liang's Six Hundred, (Mr. Roche) 2  
Mr. S. W. Hee's Wai Chew, (Lt. Bragance) 3  
Also ran: Solar Day (Mr. Sherman); Peking (Mr. Liang); Chang Ka-kou (Mr. Murray); Jan Dor (Mr. Luz); Ching Hoi (Mr. Fontes). Time: 46 seconds, 1 1/2 lengths, 3 lengths. Pari-Mutuel: Winner \$16.10; Places \$6.70, \$4.30. Cash Sweeps: Ticket No. 16, \$20.50; Ticket No. 4, \$5.80; Ticket No. 13, \$2.90.

2.—The Trial Plate, half mile. Winner \$100. 2nd \$50. 3rd \$25. For all China Ponies. Mr. Huen Chung's Chow Teze Lon, (Mr. Roza) 1  
Mr. Lin Kee's Shanghai Friend, (Mr. Sewell) 2  
Mr. K. H. Loongwa, (Mr. K. H. Chun) 3  
Also ran: Wu Chang (Mr. Reidy); Uu Un (Mr. Charles); Clemmer (Mr. Y. M. Loo); Chick To (Mr. Tong); Velon (Lt. Bragance). Pari-Mutuel: Winner \$9.70. Places \$6.70, \$6.20, \$7.20.

Cash Sweeps: Ticket No. 62, \$49.00; Ticket No. 55, \$14.20; Ticket No. 81, \$7.10.  
3.—The Shanghai Plate, 5 furlongs. Winner \$100. 2nd \$50. 3rd \$25. For China ponies subscribed for and purchased at Shanghai through the Club during 1926.  
Mr. Joe's Sun Ning, (Mr. Charles) 1  
Mr. Chin Lee's Yuen Sin, (Mr. Roza) 2  
Mr. Hau Un's Little Sit Tang, (Mr. Roche) 3  
Also ran: Cherry Brandy (Mr. Sherman); Tap Sinc (Mr. Reidy); Lucky Star (Mr. Reidy); Aria Preta (Mr. Tong); Honeymoon (Mr. Sewell). Time: 1.17 3/5, 3 lengths, 4 lengths. Pari-Mutuel: Winner \$8.40. Places \$6.40, \$9.30, \$12.70.

Cash Sweeps: Ticket No. 53, \$83.30; Ticket No. 37, \$23.80; Ticket No. 4, \$11.00.

4.—The Far Eastern Plate, 6 furlongs. Winner \$100. Second \$50. Third \$25. For all China ponies that have arrived at Macao after 1st March, 1927.

Mr. Leon Yick's Beautiful Terrace, (Mr. Tong) 1  
Mr. Recreation's Little Darling, (Mr. G. da Roza) 2  
Mr. Cheuk Suen Lo's Man-of-war, (Mr. Reidy) 3

Also ran: Sutherland (Mr. Sewell); Wai Chow (Mr. Fontes); Castle (Mr. Chun); Green Island (Mr. Charles); May (Mr. Y. M. Loo). Time: 1.37. A head, 3 lengths. Pari-Mutuel: Winner \$9.60. Places \$6.30, \$7.30, \$19.10.

Cash Sweeps: Ticket No. 106, \$10.70; Ticket No. 37, \$31. Ticket No. 1, \$16.50.

5.—The Monte Carlo Plate, Once Round. Winner \$150. Second \$76. Third \$40. For all China ponies.

Mr. U-n's Lenf (Mr. Tong) 1  
Mr. K. H. Loongwa's Little Fellow, (Mr. Charles) 2  
Mr. K. H. Loongwa's Papryus (Mr. Chun) 3

Also ran: Flash Star (Mr. Sewell); Dragon Boat (Mr. Reidy); Warlord (Mr. G. Roza). Time: 2.00 4/5, 4 lengths, 1 length.

Pari-Mutuel: Winner \$12.40. Places \$9.60, \$16.60.

Cash Sweeps: Ticket No. 49, \$117.60; Ticket No. 81, \$33.60; Ticket No. 77, \$16.80.

6.—The Autumn Selling Plate, 3 furlongs. Winner \$80. Second \$75. Third \$50. For all China ponies.

Mr. Lim Kee's U-Um, (Mr. Charles) 1  
Mr. R. C. C's Glenmerin, (Mr. Sewell) 2  
Mr. Y. M. Loo's Jolly Kid, (Mr. G. Roza) 3

Also ran: Fir Dee (Mr. Chun); Honeymoon (Mr. Tong); Six Hundred (Mr. Roche); Solar Day (Mr. A. W. Roza); Peking (Mr. Reidy). Time: 46 secs. 2/5 length, a neck.

Pari-Mutuel: Winner \$14.40. Places \$6.30, \$7.10, \$13.70.

Cash Sweeps: Ticket No. 17, \$100.90; Ticket No. 53, \$28.80; Ticket No. 130, \$14.40.

After this race the winning pony U-Um was put up for auction under the able hammer of Mr. R. H. Charles. Bidding commenced at \$150 and rose by bids of \$5 and \$10 at a time and was eventually knocked down to Mr. Hee Cheong, Chairman of the President Hotel Company.

7.—The Consolation Plate, 3 furlongs. Winner \$75. 2nd \$40. 3rd \$15. For non-winning ponies since 1st May, 1927.

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Mr. Wong Far's Sea Crow, (Mr. Sherman) 3

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## LOCAL BASEBALL.

## HONGKONG B. C. TIE FOR THIRD PLACE.

The Filipinos gained a deserved victory over the Hongkong Baseball Club on Saturday. After blanking their opponents out for five innings, during which they themselves only managed to score a single, they allowed the H. B. C. to obtain a three and a one in the sixth and seventh innings. Requiring three runs to tie, and four to win by the Filipinos set to work in a businesslike way and obtained the necessary runs without getting a single man down.

Their effort was particularly creditable in view of the fact that in the previous six innings they could only score one run.

Cockey for Hongkong broke the spell of bad luck for his side by notching a home run during the sixth, bringing Mucio home. Excitement ran high when the Filipinos went up to bat for the last time, and the cheering was deafening when the necessary runs were secured.

The team lined up as follows:

Hongkong, 3b. Rull  
Mucio, 2b. Cruz  
Cockey, p. Zafra  
Lesser, ss. Bautista  
Burrell, rf. Belgrave  
Rossikoff, lb. T. Leonard  
Lammert, cf. D. Leonard  
Mahon, c. Fernandez  
Cohen, rf. Malig

Score by innings:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 Tot.  
H. K. 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1  
Pil. 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 1

Dragons Again Defeat Japanese.

## SHIELD PRESENTATION.

The Baseball Association wound up their season yesterday by staging a game between the "Dragons" (S.C.A.A.) and the Japanese Baseball Club. The former Club had won the league and had they gone under to the Japanese yesterday the shield would have gone to them all the same.

As usual, when the Dragons are engaged, a large crowd of spectators turned up at the diamond. The game proved to be disappointing in that the Japanese, who were expected to give the winners a close run, failed to make a brave showing. The Hachimura brothers did not work well together and the batting of the Nippon boys were weak.

In the first, innings, the Chinese put in some good work and earned no fewer than four runs including a home by W. Sling. Tsukaguchi, a new player was giving the pitching to tackle and he did his work so well that the Chinese could only score a single during the next five innings. The Chinese team made a very gallant display and the opinion held in some quarters that they were likely to win the league must have been badly shaken yesterday. Chinn at first, Sling at second, and Lee in the pitcher's box were at the top of their form. The final score was 5-2 in favour of the Dragons.

The Line Up.

The two teams lined up as follows:

Dragons Japanese  
S. L. Lee p. Tsukaguchi  
Shin I. Saito  
Sling 2b. Tajima  
T. Chinn 1b. Murata

June 3b. Koga  
D. Chinn r.c. Kusano  
Lam r.f. Takemoto

Choy s.s. Hachimura, Y.  
K. Chinn c. Hachimura, S.

Score by innings:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 Tot.  
Japanese: 0 0 0 0 0 0 2 2  
Dragons: 1 0 0 0 1 0 5 5

The Presentation.

At the conclusion of the match Mr. Hin Wong, on behalf of the Lai Wah Company handed over to Mr. J. J. Muccio, President of the Hongkong Baseball League, the shield which the Company had presented for competition. Mr. Muccio expressed his thanks to the Company for the interest which they took in local baseball, which he said was indeed encouraging.

Mr. Muccio continuing, thanked the S.C.A.A., particularly the "Dragons," for popularising the game in Hongkong." He said the previous shield which was also presented by the Lai Wah Company had been won three years in succession by the Chinese team and this year the new shield was won for the first time by the "Dragons." He wanted to congratulate the "Dragons," not only for winning every match throughout the season. That was a creditable performance and Mr. Muccio, speaking as a playing member said that all would agree that the "Dragons" deserved their victory although at times they had to put up a hard fight for their points. He expressed the hope that next year, they would be in a position of "mix it up" a bit more.

A ball, bearing all the signatures of the players and officials of the "Dragons" team, was then handed over to Mr. Muccio by the son of Hin Wong, (Secretary of the S.C.A.A.).

The presentation concluded with three cheers for the league winners and three more for the runners-up followed by the usual "tiger."

Time: 46 secs. 2/5 length, a neck.

Pari-Mutuel: Winner \$14.40. Places \$6.30, \$7.10, \$13.70.

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At the Indian Recreation Club yesterday afternoon, a club team played the Indian Merchants, whom they defeated comfortably by 72 runs. The scores were:

I. R. C.

M. P. Madar, c. Barma, b. Hiptoola  
A. H. Madar, p. S. Sifliad, run out  
A. R. Minu, c. Barma, b. Hiptoola  
Ackbar, c. Barma, b. Hiptoola

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## CRICKET.

## TWO FRIENDLY MATCHES ON SATURDAY.

With the cricket season drawing near, practice matches have been much in evidence lately. On Saturday the K.C.C. held an inter-club fixture, the teams being captained by Mr. C. Lyal and Mr. W. Bruce respectively. The latter team won by one wicket and six runs.

Opportunity was taken by the Kowloon Club to try out several new bowlers.

The full scores are as follows:

Mr. Lyal's Team.  
A. W. Ramsay, c. Bruce, b. Lawrence  
E. F. Fincher, retired 31

A. D. Dand, run out 1  
S. Jex, Bevis, b. Buxton 11  
W. Hyde, l.b.w., b. Evans 24

Maj. T. W. Southall, b. Raven 34  
H. Parson, c. Bingham, b. Buxton 0  
J. C. Lyal, c. Bruce, b. Buxton 0

H. Overy, not out 9  
A. Hayres, b. Buxton 5

N. H. Ross, b. Lawrence 0  
Extras 15

Total 135

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.

Bingham 6 0 30 1

Duncan 6 0 19 0

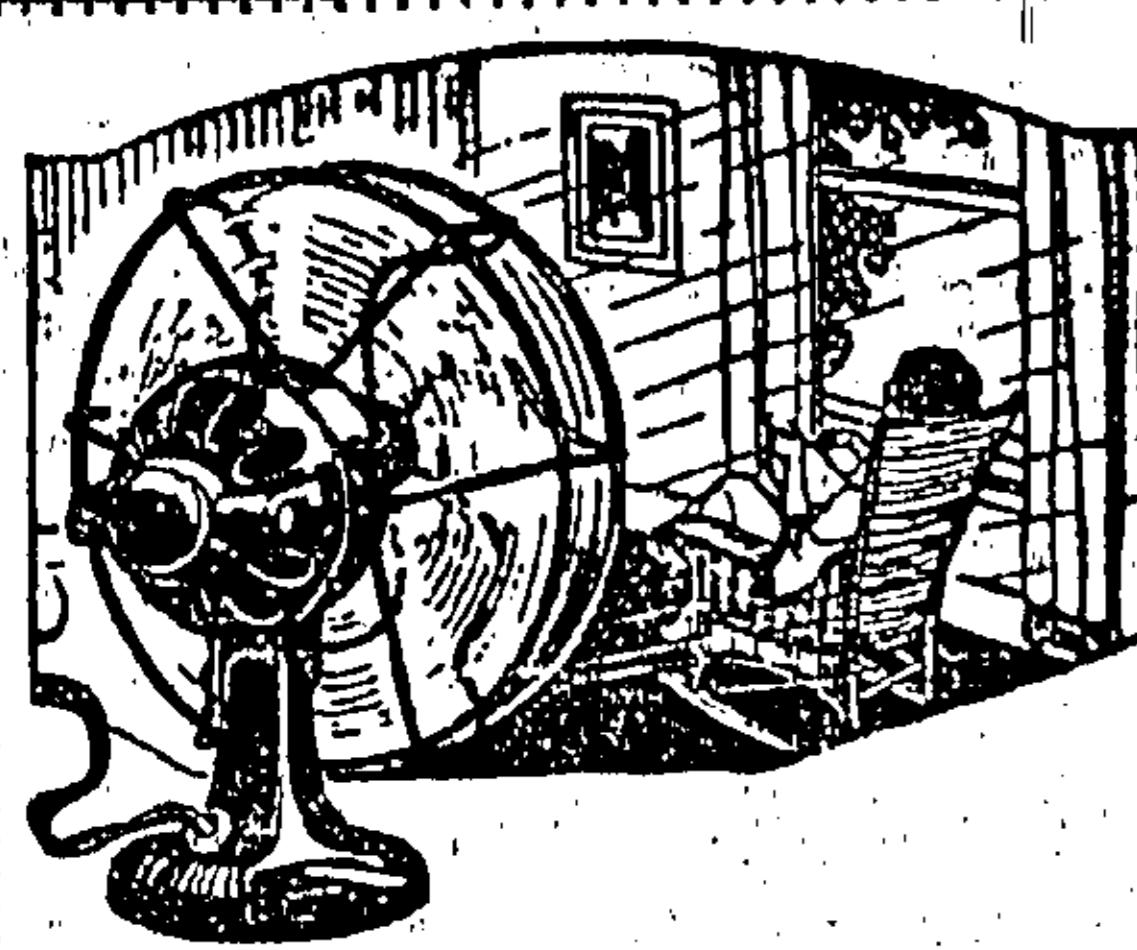
Lawrence 6 0 27 2

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**HOME FOOTBALL.**

**RESULTS OF SATURDAY'S  
GAMES.**

Matches played in the principal English leagues on Saturday were productive of few surprises, although there was fairly heavy scoring. Newcastle now head the First Division, having dropped only two points in six matches. Cardiff and West Ham were the only teams to win away from home and both are now in the first half dozen in the table.

The Second Division was characterised by an almost unbroken succession of wins by the home teams, ten being successful. Stoke only succeeded in drawing, with Grimsby as the opposition. The best scoring feats were by Swansea and West Bromwich, who scored six each at the expense of Wolverhampton and Blackpool respectively.

Clapton are at the head of the League, having dropped only one point this season. Bristol City, however, have not dropped a point and have a game in hand on Clapton. Full results as cables by Reuter are as follows:

**Division I.**

Arsenal	2	Sunderland	1
Birmingham	1	Cardiff	3
Burnley	4	Aston Villa	2
Bury	1	Sheffield U.	0
Huddersfield	4	Manchester U.	2
Leicester	2	West Ham	3
Liverpool	5	Derby	3
Middlesb'.	2	Blackpool	2
Newcastle	2	Everton	2
Portsmouth	3	Tottenham	0
Weinsheday	3	Bolton	0

**Division II.**

Bristol C	4	Rendford	1
Clapton O	2	Chelsea	1
Fulham	3	Burnley	1
Hull	1	South Shields	0
Manchester C	2	Leeds	1
Notts. Forest	2	Notts. County	1
Preston N. E.	4	Port Vale	2
Southampton	5	Oldham	2
Stoke	0	Grimsby	0
Swansea	6	Wolves	0
West Brom.	6	Blackburn	0

**Division III. (South).**

Coventry	1	Plymouth	1
Crystal Pal.	1	Brighton	1
Exeter	3	Southend	1
Gillingham	1	Merthyr	2
Luton	5	Brentford	0
Millwall	2	Bournemouth	0
Newport	3	Bristol R.	0
Queen's P. R.	2	Watford	0
Swindon	1	Charlton	0
Torquay	1	Northampton	0
Walsall	1	Norwich	0

**Division III. (North).**

Accrington	0	Darlington	2
Bradford C	2	Bradford	2
Chesterfield	2	Tranmere	0
Durham	4	Barrow	1
Hartlepools	4	Ashington	1
Lincoln	5	Crewe	1
New Brighton	3	Halifax	1
Rotherham	3	Rochdale	1
Southport	1	Nelson	1
Wigan	1	Doncaster	1
Wrexham	1	Stockport	0

**Scottish League.**

Clyde	3	Aberdeen	1
Dundee	1	St. Johnstone	1
Dunfermline	1	Celtic	2
Falkirk	3	St. Mirren	2
Hibernians	3	Cowdenbeath	1
Hamilton	5	Bo'ness	1
Kilmarnock	1	Motherwell	2
Raith Rovers	4	Paisley T.	0
Queen's Park	0	Hearts	2
Rangers	2	Airdrieonians	1

**KOWLOON C. C.**

**LAST YEAR'S ACTIVITIES  
REVIEWED.**

The report and balance sheet of the Kowloon Cricket Club for the season 1926-27 has just been circulated.

The accompanying Accounts show a slight profit and under the circumstances your Committee consider the result of the year's working to be satisfactory.

Since the 1st August, 1926, fifty-four new members have joined the Club, a few old members rejoined and one hundred and eleven names were removed on account of resignations, departure from the Colony and other reasons.

The present Membership is 360, made up as follows:

Present.	Absent.	Total.
9	5	14
Ordinary	220	42
Sea-Going	41	14
Naval and		55
Military	20	3

The Committee record with deep regret the deaths of Dr. J. C. D. Allan, Capt. W. S. Turnbull and Capt. C. E. Page.

**Ground.**

The Cricket pitch has received good attention during the summer months and should be in excellent condition for the coming season. The Bowling Green is in splendid condition.

The Club was very successful at the Horticultural Show, six 1st and six 2nd prizes being obtained.

**Ladies' Pavilion.**

The building is in fairly good condition but will require some attention soon to put it into better order.

**Cricket.**

The Club experienced a very successful and enjoyable season, the 1st XI heading the Senior Division League and proving one of the strongest sides in the Colony. The batting was very strong and the fielding nearly always good and sometimes brilliant. With all last year's players available and the addition of some new talent, a very powerful combination will be fielded again this coming season and the Club may well hope to repeat last season's successes.

The 2nd XI should have been much better but for an unfortunate inability to hold their catches. This season, however, there will be keen competition for inclusion in both teams and as fielding may be a determining factor this fault should be eliminated.

The outstanding cricketer of the season was W. Brace, who scored over 1,000 runs for an average of over 60. This is an unique feat in the Club's history and represents both brilliant and consistent batting.

We congratulate F. Goodwin, A. W. Ramsay and Capt. E. W. Morris on being selected for Hongkong in the Interport match against Shanghai last November.

Both Shanghai and Malaya are probably visiting Hongkong this winter and we hope to have the honour of entertaining them at the K. C. C.

Members wishing to play cricket this season are requested to sign their names on the board in the Club House.

**Tennis.**

Due to heavy rains during the last two months, the annual lawn tennis tournament has not progressed very far and it is hoped members will make an effort to play off their ties before the cricket season commences.

We entered three teams in the Hongkong Tennis League. Owing to several of our senior players not being available our B. and C. teams were weakened through the transfer of the players from B. to A. and C. to B. teams.

The A team was placed third in the League but the other two teams did not do very well.

Altogether 32 players participated in the matches.

**Lawn Bowls.**

This game has attracted many more players this year than ever before.

The keenness of several new bowlers this season is very gratifying. Cricket and tennis enthusiasts have taken to this so-called "old man's game."

All competitions are being keenly contested, and the Committee take this opportunity of congratulating the winners of the various trophies.

It is very gratifying that our bowlers won the 2nd Division League Championship and we have great hopes of repeating last year's success.

Our green is one of the very best greens in the Colony.

**Children's Sports.**

The event was held on New Year's Day and met with its usual success. The thanks of the Committee are tendered to the many generous subscribers, and the ladies and gentlemen who so kindly assisted on that occasion.

**Dances and Concert.**

Several dances were held during the winter, and were well attended and much enjoyed. A concert was held on May 28th in aid of Hospital Comforts for the troops which was a great success, and a sum of \$400 sent to the fund.

**Prizes.**

The Committee thank the numerous donors of prizes for the sport competitions.

**NAVAL YARD SPORTS.**

**CHILDREN'S GATHERING AT  
STONECUTTERS.**

The annual children's sports organised by the Naval Yard Recreation Club took place at Stonecutters Island on Sunday afternoon when the band of H.M.S. Durban was in attendance and played selections. Much of the success of the sports was due to the capable organisation by Messrs. A. Ursell, W. Morris, T. Mugill, C. Boryer, C. Jones and A. Lewis.

Commodore and Mrs. Pearson were among those present, the latter distributing the prizes at the close of the sports. Messdames Ursell, Jones, Boryer, Read and Gull materially contributed to the success of the gathering, and much amusement was caused by the appearance of Messrs. C. Jones, F. Wynne, J. Laidlow, and W. J. Davies in a clown party.

The following are the results of the various events.

Girls' Race (6-10): R. Guest, M. Magill.

Boys' Race (6-10): R. Egan, D. Oliver.

Boys' Relay Race: R. Gull, K. Harrison.

Girls' Race (10-14): J. Bates, B. Macmillan.

Boys' Relay Race (6-10): D. Oliver, R. Stevenson.

Boys' Race (3-6): F. Hughes, D. Mitchell.

Girls' Swimming (14-18): M. George, D. George.

Boys' Thread and Needle Race: A. Hargreaves.

Boys' Swimming (14-18): B. Yolland, R. Stevens.

Clowns' Race: Dead heat (Messrs. Wynne, Jones, Davis and Laidlow).

**TUNNEY-DEMPSEY.**

**CHAMPION'S RIGHT EYE  
BADLY CUT.**

Chicago, Sept. 17. As the training of Tunney and Dempsey is nearing an end, the experts are finding increasing difficulty in picking the winner of the fight on Thursday next.

Most of the experts came to Illinois a month ago with Tunney in their minds, but the little they have seen of Dempsey's secret training since, has not favourably impressed them, that they are wary of making an unqualified choice. Indeed the consensus of opinion is that the fight will be one of the toughest.

The inch-long cut over Tunney's right eye, which his sparring partner, "Chuck" Wiggins opened several days ago, had another bad time yesterday, when a series of jabs and hooks by the same compromisingly hard-hitter, left it inflamed and bleeding. Although Tunney is not worrying, a specialist has been summoned from Chicago to attend him.

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**INTER-DEPARTMENT  
BOWLS.**

**SANITARY DEPARTMENT  
DEFEATS POLICE.**

The final of the Inter-Department Lawn Bowl Tournament took place on the grounds of the Civil Service rink yesterday the result being a win for the Sanitary Department against the police by 21 points to 14.

The score is a fair reflex of the difference between the two teams, the Sanitary Department having just slightly the better of the game through the 21 heads.

For the winners Hill, the skip, played a good game and was responsible for many of the points scored by his side.

The teams and scores were:

S. D. H. K. P.

Smith Mist.

Roylance Marks.

Duncan Reid.

Hill (Skip) 22 Sword (Skip) 14.

At the conclusion of the 21 heads the cup for the winning department was presented by Chief Preventive Officer S. J. Clarke to Mr. Hill

## A SERIAL STORY

## MY LADY: A TALE OF MYSTERY.

By EDGAR WALLACE.

Author of "The Four Just Men," "The Secret House" &amp;c., &amp;c.

JOHN MORLAY, head of a firm of commercial inquiry agents, declines to investigate on behalf of

JULIAN LESTER, a young man about town, the financial circumstances of the beautiful young

COUNTESS MARIE FIOLI, whose nurse

MRS. CARAWOOD, Julian suspects of having appropriated part of the fortune left the Countess by her mother. Instead, Morlay is persuaded by Mrs. Carawood to become guardian to the Countess.

JOE SALTER, an ex-convict, is caught burgling by Julian in his flat, and promises to assist the latter when required.

HERMAN is a young man employed by Mrs. Carawood at her principal establishment.

FENNER is an eccentric carpenter, in love with Mrs. Carawood.

MR. MARTIN, an inquiry agent is employed by Julian to spy upon Mrs. Carawood.

## CHAPTER VII.

Herman came slowly back into the shop.

"Hello!" he said ungraciously.

"Good morning, Herman."

"Not so much of the 'Herman,'" said the youth, going red of face. "Do you want to buy a mantle because there's nobody here to sell it?"

"My dear fellow—," began Mr. Martin, the enquiry agent.

"Don't you 'dear, fellow' me," replied Herman loudly.

He looked round. Fenner had disappeared.

"And don't try to sell me any safes to keep my money in, because I've got no money. And don't ask me whether Mrs. Carawood wants to buy a safe, because I've told you she doesn't want to buy a safe."

Martin smiled broadly.

"She's the lady who does want to buy a safe," he said. "Don't you see how dangerous it is for a lady to keep her money in a box under her bed?"

"I didn't say that," said Herman, redder and louder still. His glare was ferocious. For a second Martin thought he was contemplating some violent assault.

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"Did he tell you that?" asked Julian quickly.

The man hesitated.

"He didn't exactly tell me that, but I had to piece together the bits and pieces, and that is what I make out. There is one thing I wanted to say, sir: I don't think I'd better be seen with you. When we were talking together yesterday in the street I saw Mr. Morlay pass, and I'm sure he saw us."

"Nonsense!" smiled Julian. "The woman must know sooner or later that I am behind these enquiries."

Mr. Martin was curious—it was his business to be curious.

"Excuse me, sir; you haven't told me very much about Mrs. Carawood. What is it you want to find? It would be a much easier job for me if I knew what you were after."

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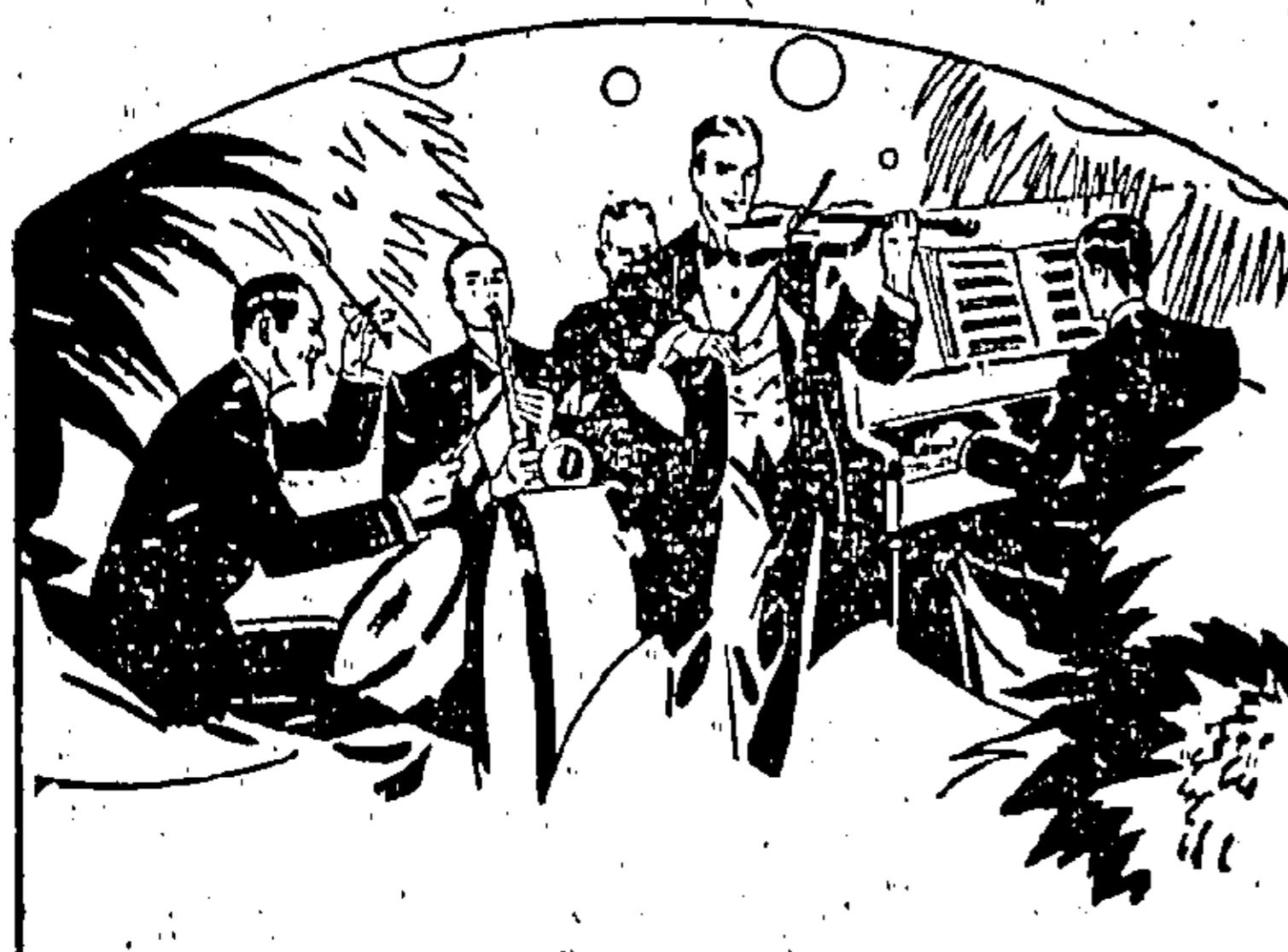
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## CAFE PARISIEN.

### APPLICATION IN BANK RUPTCY COURT.

In the Bankruptcy court on Saturday Mr. D. L. Strellett applied on behalf of the Cafe Restaurant Parisien, Madame Flint, the Beauty Parlour Parfum and the Europe-Asia Trading Company for an interim receiving order, the staying of sale of premises and the appointment of a special manager temporarily to carry on the business of these concerns.

His Lordship the acting Chief Justice Mr. J. R. Wood declined to make an interim receiving order or to postpone the sale of the premises, but granted a postponement for the sale of costumes, trimmings and hats for which, it was argued, a higher price could be obtained than if an auction took place.

The landlord of the premises whose claim was for \$13,000, was represented by Mr. H. J. Armstrong, who appeared also for several other smaller creditors.

The full application made by Mr. Strellett was as follows:

(1) For the granting of an interim receiving order.

(2) For the staying of the sale under distraint and executions now enforced against the properties of the above-named firms at 12, Pedder Street, until such time as the Court may deem fit.

(3) That the Court may appoint a special manager for the purpose of carrying on the debtors' business until the appointment of a trustee or until further order of the Court.

With regard to the first application the Official Receiver agreed that it was a good step to take at this stage. The main assets that were apparent were those at 12, Pedder Street, in which these businesses were carried on, and at 11 Ice House Street.

Protection of Creditors.

His Lordship requested Mr. Strellett to turn to the local Ordinance under which it would be seen that such a course should be followed for the better "realisation" of the estate but for its "protection."

Mr. Strellett: Your Lordship thinks that the assets may be dissipated or lost, apart from the question as to whether they should realise \$10 or \$1?

His Lordship agreed.

The Official Receiver (Mr. E. L. Agassiz) said that there was almost certain to be a surplus and in that case someone would have to be appointed to take his figures very low indeed and there was likely to be a considerable surplus on his valuation.

He (the Official Receiver) would interpret the Ordinance as meaning "to the protection of the benefit of the creditors." He did not think that the word "protection" should be confined to the physical care or protection of the estate.

His Lordship: I think it means protection from waste.

The Official Receiver: The effects would realise less at a forced sale than if they were sold carefully and I submit that what is being asked for would, in effect, be protection from waste.

His Lordship asked Mr. Armstrong, for his views.

## Landlord's Opposition.

Mr. Armstrong said that the landlord was strongly opposed to the sale by auction being postponed. In fact, the Court had no power, to restrain the landlord from proceeding with his distress.

His Lordship asked for Mr. Armstrong's authorities.

After consulting law books, His Lordship said that it was apparently to the advantage of the creditors that the sale be managed in some other way.

Mr. Armstrong: It is not to the landlord's advantage.

His Lordship: How would he suffer?

Mr. Armstrong: He has let these premises to the debtors on a ten years' lease, eight years of which have still to run at what is now the fairly high rental of \$3,200 a month and he has been approached by a syndicate which proposes to form a limited company for the purpose of carrying on business.

This syndicate has agreed to take over the lease at the same rental. The landlord distrained several weeks ago since when the syndicate has been waiting. They have now approached the landlord and intimated that unless

some decision is reached at once, the money will not be forthcoming.

The goods were seized by the bailiff on July 18 and notice of sale by the landlord was given to this Court on September 2nd.

The sale was postponed a week by the Registrar and again postponed on the 12th for another week.

Sale Postponed.

His Lordship said that under the Ordinance, the sale should proceed within a certain number of days and any application for postponement should have been made to the Court. No such application had been before him.

Mr. Armstrong mentioned that certain payments had been made by the debtors in consequence of which the sale had been postponed.

Protection of Creditors.

His Lordship requested Mr. Strellett to turn to the local Ordinance under which it would be seen that such a course should be followed for the better "realisation" of the estate but for its "protection."

Mr. Strellett, replying to the Judge, said that if the goods were auctioned, they would realise forty per cent less than they would receive at a sale. He added that according to the valuation made, if sold by auction the fixtures and fittings would fetch about \$13,000, whereas by postponement it was estimated that \$46,000 would be realised on the goods.

His Lordship indicated that a possible solution might be the postponement of the sale for a week and the appointment of the Official Receiver to direct affairs.

Not Desirable.

Mr. Strellett pressed for the appointment of a special manager.

His Lordship said he did not consider such an appointment desirable.

The Official Receiver said that he did not feel qualified for such a task as setting out the dresses to the best advantage and generally directing their sale. He would be entirely in the hands of the debtors as to prices to be charged and there would be no useful purpose served in his appointment. If the sale was to be postponed it was essential that a special manager should be appointed.

His Lordship intimated that he thought this was the best course. No interim receiving order would be granted. An order would be made for the postponement of the sale of costumes, trimmings and hats only. Special directions as to the sale of these articles would be made by the Registrar. The hearing of the petitions would be adjourned.

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Mrs. Hilliard and her children's nurse, Miss Leonard were responsible for the teaching, staging and the rehearsing of the songs and recitations, while the costumes were very cleverly designed and made by them and little Kathleen Wolfe's nurse, Miss Lena Brown.

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**PIG COOLIES.****CAN THEY BE CLASSED AS PASSENGERS.**

The question as to whether pig coolies could be classed as passengers or not was raised in the Marine Court on Saturday, before Lieut-Commander G. F. Hole, when Mr. C. H. Spalding, master of the s.s. Devawongse, was charged with carrying more than 12 passengers as allowed in his articles, on Aug. 25. Mr. C. H. Thompson, Boarding Officer, prosecuted, and Mr. G. S. Hugh Jones defended.

Mr. Thompson gave evidence of the vessel's arrival on the date in question, carrying 35 passengers, whereas the ship was only allowed to carry 12.

Mr. Hugh Jones contended that the "passengers" were pig coolies, and were necessary for the proper working of the ship. Commenting on the regulations affecting the point and the definition of a "passenger" Mr. Hugh Jones remarked that the Chinese companies were "between the devil and the deep blue sea."

The Magistrate adjourned the case until the return of the ship, which left Hongkong on Saturday morning.

The vessel is expected back in about three weeks.

**Quarantine Regulations.**

Mr. P. J. Stolen, master of the Norwegian boat, the s.s. Svale, pleaded guilty to breaches of quarantine regulations. He was charged with failing to fly the quarantine flag, and with not going to the quarantine anchorage on arrival in port.

The defendant said that he came of his sister, Mrs. O. Yau-sheung, thanked the attendants of the service for their presence on the occasion.

Mr. Lam Kar-man on behalf of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce to bring about a revival of trade in the Colony, it is learned that a letter has been received by the Chinese Chamber from Mr. M. F. Key, Secretary of the General Chamber of Commerce, couched in the following terms:

"I am directed to draw your attention to my letter of 25th July in reply to yours of the 22nd July, on the subject of local trade conditions and to state that my committee will be glad to hear from the Chinese Chamber as to suggested agenda for the proposed conference."

It will be recalled that some time ago the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, at one of their monthly meetings, decided to invite the General Chamber of Commerce to a conference with a view to exchanging ideas on the subject of reviving trade. It was felt that the matter concerned both Chambers. A letter was accordingly sent to the General Chamber, but a reply was received to the effect that although the General Chamber equally deplored the unsatisfactory trade conditions, there could be no substantial improvement in trade in Hongkong until there is a "settled China."

**DEPARTED.**

Floral tributes were sent by Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Crook, Prof. W. H. Hinton, Prof. G. T. Byrne, Prof. R. K. M. Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Birch, Mr. W. Kay, Dr. Arthur Woo, Dr. T. Y. Li, Hongkong University Student Union, Queen's College Old Boys' Association, Members of the Arts Association, Engineering Association, Medical Association, and the Education Society of the University.

The defendant was the engineer of the motor boat Kwong Dien, and he was charged with using the boat without a certified coxswain. Defendant admitted the charge, and said that the coxswain went ashore so he took the wheel himself.

**PASSENGERS.**

Commenting that such a practice was very dangerous, both to the defendant and to others, Comdr. Mr. Ho fined a Chinese engineer \$50 or six weeks.

The funeral took place yesterday, a large number of University students as well as some 200 students from the Queen's College, attending.

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LABOUR IN NORTH  
BORNEO.HOW A COMPANY SOLVED A  
PROBLEM.

## VALUE OF CHINESE.

Ever since the original North Borneo Provisional Association commenced its labours to secure a Royal Charter for the government of the territory the provision of labour has been one of the chief questions affecting the welfare of the country. When the Charter was granted there was little or no native labour available and to proceed with development it was necessary to import the same, the immigrants then consisting almost entirely of Chinese. Much was done by way of special agents being sent to China, Commissions appointed and efforts in other directions. Some were attracted to come voluntarily, but most had to be assisted. What the country has wanted throughout its career, which is now approaching half a century, has been labour even more than capital for its development.

In the course of time native labour has been induced to come down from up country and there is now quite a considerable force at work on many of the estates. Government regulations as to enforced leave for them to return to the Kampongs for a certain time in each year has rather tended to interfere with the working native, but on the whole he has done some good service and eased the position a little. He still remains somewhat shy, and care has to be taken in the way in which he is handled and treated on an estate. An assistant or a manager who is not sympathetic may easily scare him away, but if he is treated tactfully he makes quite a good estate labourer and often gives very satisfactory service. Ill-treatment was not a paying proposition, as the man will only work on his own terms and in a manner that he approves of. Recently Government has become more stringent in the matter of advances which will render his employment on estates more difficult. The regulation as to any advance not being allowed to exceed \$5 per head, has hitherto been honoured more in the breach than in the performance. Now it is to be enforced, which will mean that any sum exceeding it will have to be written off as a bad debt, and some estates may have to write off considerable sums. It may be pointed out that in the case of a native borrowing there was generally a reasonable and specific cause, without which the man would not seek to work on an estate. Failure to obtain the sum required usually resulted in the man seeking the money elsewhere. His need for borrowing was different to that of the average Chinese or Javanese coolie, who probably wanted it in many cases for the purpose of gambling. Whilst applying the regulation as to the amount of the advance more stringently now, it is said that on the other hand Government is said not to insist on natives returning annually to their villages. Rumour also says the question of advances may be shelved as to its strict interpretation. The result of it all has been that the pay of native labour has been increased in most cases, so perhaps that covers a wide construction of the regulations.

## Javanese Labour.

Javanese labour is employed on a number of estates, and there must be a good few of indentured labourers in the State. Handled properly they make quite good and efficient labour. Consequentially, on the recent agitations that have been going on in Java, the Dutch Government is taking special precautions to see that labour employed in countries outside its own territory receives the very best treatment. An Inspector of Javanese labour has recently paid a visit to North Borneo and has been threatening to withdraw permits to estates to import such labour unless a good deal more is done in the way of housing, water and particularly rations. The latter daily rate has been raised to 25 cents a day for each coolie and 10 cents for each child. The effect will be to raise the cost of this class of labour, which in the case of rubber estates will have the effect of increasing the f.o.b. cost of the rubber.

## Chinese Labour.

In ordinary ways it is the Chinese who largely perform all general classes of labour. He is an enterprising fellow who has left his country determined to make money, and he usually does, though too frequently he gambles it all away with a light heart and hand. Nought need be said about his industry, his ability to withstand the climate and his aptitude to take up any class of work. If



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